

Abandoned And Dejected, Kashmir's Elderly Find Solace At Old Age Homes

Auqib Javeed

75-year-old Abdul Jabar of South Kashmir's Shopian was living in trauma for over five years after his only son abandoned him. He would get suicidal thoughts all the time but "prayers" saved him. "My son was working in a private company. Five years ago, he got married to a local girl. They decided to shift to New Delhi for better opportunities and left me alone," said Jabar, a farmer. "I have lived these years of my life in a very difficult situation," he added.



Jabar's wife divorced him 15 years ago and they had only one child.

A decade ago, the Valley of Saints was alien to the concept of "old age homes" aka senior



I CAN'T EVEN WEAR MY SOCKS OR EAT properly but thanks to the government, I am living a new life here."

citizen homes but sensing its need, the Union territory administration has established these homes in all ten districts of Kashmir except Pulwama. The homes have been set up

in collaboration with various non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

In one such care home, in the Bandipora district, a group of elderly people are busy discussing life, politics and the erratic weather of Kashmir that has concerned almost all the people these days. These senior citizens are striking conversations with people they have no blood relationship with but they are happy for they are being heard.

All of them have accepted this new life and have made peace with it. They know this is their new home and they have

to live here till their last breath. With an increase in urbanization, there has been a significant rise in the number of old age homes and to overcome the trauma, the social welfare department of Jammu and Kashmir has provided these elderly people with a full time counselor who guides them and addresses all their issues.

The homes are aimed to provide an array of facilities like shelter, food, clothing, recreational facilities, stress management, counseling, social support, legal assistance, medical assistance **More on P10**

Property Worth Millions Of 'Anti-Nationals' Attached

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Jammu and Kashmir police on Wednesday attached assets worth millions, including land and buildings, in its ongoing crackdown against the anti-national elements in the Union Territory, officials said.

These properties, during the course of investigation in terrorism related cases, have been established prima facie to be either proceeds of terrorism or used in such activities which are aimed at furtherance of terrorism and secessionism, an official spokesperson said Wednesday.

"In consonance with the policy of the government for zero tolerance towards anti State activities, the State Investigation Agency (SIA) and the Executive Wing of J&K Police has widened the legal framework against terror funding by attaching 124 properties, land and buildings, situated across J&K at 86 locations," he said.

The properties, he said, were attached after invoking provisions of section 8 and section 25 of Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA).

"SIA and executive wing of police, after orders from competent authorities designated under UAPA, have set into motion legal process for forfeiture of these tainted properties, by courts having relevant legal and territorial jurisdiction," he said.

According to the spokesperson, nearly 77 of these properties belong to proscribed organisation Jama'at-e-Islami, which have been notified under Section 08 of UAPA in Case FIR number 17/2019 U/S 10, 11 and 13 UA (P) Act of Police Station Batmaloo being investigated by SIA.

"Exhibiting strong resolve against terrorism, the action therefore has been taken following due process of law, to deracinate the terror support system, as per requirements of international charters and conventions against terrorism," he added.

First Batch Of Pilgrims From J&K Leave For Hajj

Press Trust Of India

Srinagar: The first batch of 630 pilgrims from Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday left for Saudi Arabia for the annual Haj pilgrimage, officials said.

The batch of pilgrims was flagged off at the Srinagar airport by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha. "Flagged off UT's 1st batch of Haj pilgrims from Srinagar International Airport, today. Conveyed my greetings and best

wishes to the blessed pilgrims, who are embarking upon the sacred journey for performing the Haj. I pray for successful pilgrimage and peace & prosperity for J&K," Sinha said in a tweet.

The pilgrims left in two flights, carrying 315 passengers each, they said. There were 339 male pilgrims and 291 female pilgrims in total, they added.

Chairperson of Jammu and Kashmir Haj Committee Safina Baig said all **More on P10**



KO Photo | Abid Bhat



Emotional scenes were witnessed on Wednesday as the first batch of pilgrims from Jammu and Kashmir left for Hajj Pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia from Srinagar International Airport. KO photo, Abid Bhat

J&K Govt To Provide Land, House To Poor Soon: LG

Observer News Service

Jammu: Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha on Wednesday announced that his government will provide land to poor landless and a house also under PMAY scheme in the Union Territory and the notification in this regard will be issued soon.

"Poor have the first right over country's resources. Earlier there was no provision to provide land to landless people by the Government. We have removed regressive land laws and the Government will provide land to poor landless and a house also under PMAY. A notification will be issued soon," Sinha announced during a public function at Garkhal border village Panchayat of Akhnoor here on Wednesday.

"Government of India has allotted additional 1,99,550 houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) to UT of Jammu Kashmir. Of these



more than 19,000 houses are meant for Jammu District. This allocation will go a long way in achieving the objective of Housing for All," he said.

The LG appreciated the District administration for its efforts in accelerating the socio-economic development of Garkhal Panchayat.

"Border Gram Panchayat of

Garkhal is scripting a golden chapter of development with active participation of residents and transforming it into a model village," Sinha said.

He said that under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the development of villages will soon become the main driving force of nation's development. **More on P10**

To Inaugurate Tirupati Balaji Temple In Jammu Today

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha will inaugurate North India's first temple of Sri Venkateswara Swamy, famous as Tirupati Balaji at Majeen here on the city outskirts on Thursday. Officials said that special prayers were performed on Tuesday evening at the temple. "LG Manoj Sinha will inaugurate the Tirupati Balaji Temple here tomorrow morning," the official said. He said that earlier on Monday, **More on P10**

WAR AGAINST DRUGS

DGP Orders Freezing Bank Accounts Of Peddlers, Seizure Of Assets

Observer News Service

Srinagar: The Director General of Police (DGP), Dilbag Singh on Wednesday directed his men to attach properties acquired through drug trade, besides stressing for freezing of bank accounts of drug traders and smugglers in the border areas of Jammu and Kashmir.

The DGP passed these orders while chairing a review meeting of Narco Coordination Centre (NCORD) here at Police Headquarters, a police spokesperson said.

The meeting, he said, also discussed the course of action

to uproot the drug menace and narcotic trade from J&K.

"The DGP during the meeting took a detailed review of the measures undertaken for combating illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and its consumption in the UT to save youth from the dangerous affects of the drugs," he added.

Speaking on the occasion, the spokesperson said, the DGP stressed upon the officers to ensure better coordination with all stakeholders in imposing greater deterrence to combat dangerous trade of drug-trafficking.

Singh, he said, **More on P10**

AMARNATH YATRA

Army Fully Prepared To Ensure Safe Yatra: GoC

Agencies

Srinagar: Corps Commander 15th Core Lieutenant General Amardeep Singh Aujila Wednesday termed the overall security situation in Kashmir as satisfactory.

He said after the successful holding of the G20 event in Kashmir, the Army will conduct the annual Amarnath Yatra 2023 in a peaceful manner.

"Army is fully prepared to ensure the peaceful and safe conduct of Amarnath yatra in Kashmir Valley," he said.

The Army commander said that the overall situation in Kashmir Valley is under control. "Infiltration did not happen this year, however, bids were made that were thwarted successfully," he said.

Commanding Officer Lt Gen Amardeep Singh Aujila added that: "as far as the counter-infiltration grid is concerned, we are very strong on the ground."

The Army commander was speaking to reporters in Chandanwari Pahalgam on the sidelines of a function organized by the Border Roads Organization.

In response to a question, the Army commander said



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social media is somewhat responsible for the radicalization of youth. He said now people have started differentiating between good and bad and everyone wants peace in Valley.

He said that his message to the youth is, please understand and distinguish between right and wrong.

He reiterated that a solid and strong Indian Army is ready to deal with any unusual threat from across the border. (KNT)

S H O R T T A K E S

Two Soldiers Injured In Accidental Firing

Two Army personnel were injured on Wednesday when the service rifle of a soldier went off accidentally inside a camp in Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir, police said. The incident took place at Galthi in the Manjakote area when the soldiers of Rashtriya Rifles were unloading their weapons as per the protocol after returning from operational duty, a **More on P10**

ADGP Jamwal Named Ladakh Police Chief

Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, Tuesday appointed Dr. Shiv Darshan Jamwal as Head of Police of Union Territory of Ladakh. Jamwal has been transferred from his post of Additional Director General of Police J&K to the new posting. "With the approval of the Competent Authority, Dr. Shiv Darshan Jamwal, IPS (AGMUT:1995), Additional Director **More on P10**

17 Labourers Injured As Truck Hits Load Carrier

A truck rammed into a load carrier in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district on Wednesday, leaving 17 labourers, including a pregnant woman, injured, police said. A concrete mixer machine was also damaged in the accident which took place near Baswai Morh along the Jammu-Pathankot highway around 9 am. They said the driver of the **More on P10**

Hideout Busted In Kupwara: Army

The security forces Wednesday busted an old hideout in Lolab area of Kupwara and recovered arms and ammunition from it. A specific input from a reliable source with respect to an old hideout & presence of some arms & ammunition in the general area of Kangur Nala, Tekipora was received by RR Sector deployed in Charkut, Lolab on early **More on P10**

ICAI Delegation Calls On LG

A delegation of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India led by CA (Dr) Raj Kumar Adhukia, Central Council member ICAI, called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan, an official spokesperson said Wednesday. He said that the members of the delegation including CA Vikas Purdhani, Chairman J&K Branch; CA Vineet Kohli, VC, **More on P10**

Prominent Islamic Scholar Appears Before NIA

Proficient and well-known Islamic scholar Maulana Rehmatullah Mir Qasmi, who runs Darul Uloom Rahimiya Bandipora appeared before National Investigation Agency (NIA) after the probe agency summoned him in an alleged militant funding case. Earlier, National Investigation Agency (NIA) summoned Maulana Rehmatullah Mir Qasmi **More on P10**



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Apple Is Expected To Unveil Sleek Headset Aimed At Thrusting The Masses Into Alternate Realities

Associated Press

Apple appears poised to unveil a long-rumoured headset that will place its users between the virtual and real world, while also testing the technology trendsetter's ability to popularise new-fangled devices after others failed to capture the public's imagination. After years of speculation, the stage is set for the widely anticipated announcement to be made on Monday at

Apple's annual developers conference in a Cupertino, California, theatre named after the company's late co-founder Steve Jobs.

Apple is also likely to use the event to show off its latest Mac computer, preview the next operating system for the iPhone and discuss its strategy for artificial intelligence.

But the star of the show is expected to be a pair of goggles perhaps called "Reality Pro", according to media leaks that could become another milestone in Apple's lore

of releasing game-changing technology, even though the company hasn't always been the first to try its hand at making a particular device. Apple's lineage of breakthroughs date back to a bow-tied Jobs peddling the first Mac in 1984 a tradition that continued with the iPod in 2001, the iPhone in 2007, the iPad in 2010, the Apple Watch in 2014 and its AirPods in 2016.

But with a hefty price tag that could be in the USD 3,000 range, Apple's new headset may

also be greeted with a lukewarm reception from all but affluent technophiles.

If the new device turns out to be a niche product, it would leave Apple in the same bind as other major tech companies and startups that have tried selling headsets or glasses equipped with technology that either thrusts people into artificial worlds or projects digital images with scenery and things that are actually in front of them a format known as "augmented reality".

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have a Life Insurance policy bearing policy no: **21078984** in **PNG Metlife Office Barzulla Baghat Srinagar**. The name is registered in the Policy records as **Zamroda Bano**. It is to be changed as **Zamroda** as per **Aadhaar Card**. If anyone has any objection in this regard, he/she may file it within seven days in the office of PNG Metlife Barzulla Baghat Srinagar. After that no objection will be entertained.

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Shabnan Magloo
w/o Mirza Abid Hussain
R/o Jan.Mohalla Lalbazar'
Srinagar.

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I have lost my Passport bearing No: S7415944 while travelling from Beerwah to Srinagar three days ago. If anybody has found the same he is requested to contact on 6005825353. Otherwise I have to apply for the duplicate of the same if anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the Regional Passport Office Srinagar within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Salma Tasveer Masoodi
S/o Tasveer Ahmad Masoodi R/o Aripanthan Beerwah

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From The Court Of Principal District Judge, Srinagar

Present : Mr. Jawad Ahmad

Zahida Nisar W/o Late Nisar Ahmad Mirt R/o Gazali Abad Lane 1 Near Masjid Hajra Zainakote Sgr V/S

Asrarul Nisar S/o Late Nisar Ahmad Mir R/o Gazali Abad Lane 1 Near Masjid Hajra Zainakote Srinagar

In the matter of
Application for appointment of Guardian for the person and property of Minor(s)

Notice to public at Large

Where the petitioners(s) FILED ABOVE TITLED PETITION BEFORE THIS COURT for appointment of guardian the person and property of minor(s) namely Aisha Nisar D/o Late Nisar Ahmad Mirt R/o Gazali Abad Lane 1 Near Masjid Hajra . The petition is pending disposal before this court and the next date of hearing is fixed 15-06-2023

Public Notice is hereby issued, informing all and sundry through the medium of this proclamation that at any anyone has any objection , he/she / they shall appear before this court either personally or through counsel or any authorized agent and file objections on or before 15-06-2023 Failing which the petition will be taken up and appropriate orders will be passed in the same

In case, the date fixed is declared as holiday the matter shall be taken on the next working day.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on --
Jawad Ahmad Principal
District Judge, Srinagar

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My name has been wrongly written in my driving licence bearing DL No: JK2220210002366 as Mohammad Ashraf Ahwan while my correct name is Mohammad Ashraf Gojar Ahwani which needs to be corrected. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the ARTO Shopian within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

Mohammad Ashraf Gojar Ahwan
S/o Mohammad Qasim Gojar Ahwan
R/o Pinjora Shopian

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S/o: Jan Mohmad Mir
Roll No: 2604540
Year & Session : 2020- Bi-Annual



Now the candidate has applied for Duplicate Marks Card. Anybody (if) having any objection may file the same before undersigned with (07) Seven days from the date of publication of this notice. Besides, the original marks card is tested as cancelled.

Sd/ Assistant Secretary
Board Of School Education
Sub Office Bandipora

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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR Office Of The Executive Engineer, Mechanical Irrigation Division Srinagar, NEAR J&K BANK(ZALDAGAR

Telefax No. 0194-2952696 e.mail Id: xenmidsrinagar@gmail.com

Sub: - Extension in bidding time for this office Short Term e-NIT No. 06 OF 2023-24, Dated: 31-05-2023 for below mentioned work: -

“Minor electrical works at LIS Marval Stages 2nd and 4th”.

Ref: - JK Government official e-Procurement portal Tender ID No.: - 2023_IFC_214320_1

EXTENSION NOTICE 1

Due to **poor** response to above referred e-NIT for the subject work, the critical dates are extended as under: -

Bid submission/ Document download / sale end Date	12/06/2023 at 1400 hrs
Date and time of Bid opening	13/06/2023 at 1230 hrs

Rest of the terms and conditions shall remain un-altered as laid down in the original e-NIT.

No. MIDS/Ts/ 881-86
DIPK-2950/23
Dated: 07-06-2023

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Mechanical Irrigation Division
Srinagar

Government of Jammu & Kashmir Office of the Member Secretary Market Administrative Committee (MAC) Fruit & Vegetable Market Aglar Shopian

FRSH e-AUCTION NOTICE AUC 24 OF 2023-24 Dated: 06-06-2023

For and on behalf of Market Administrative Committee Fruit & Vegetable Market Aglar Shopian, sealed tenders accompanied with CDR worth Rs.13,500/- (Rupees Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Only) drawn in favour of “Member Secretary Market Administrative Committee (MAC) Fruit and Vegetable Market Aglar Shopian and DD for an amount of Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) in favour of “Member Secretary Market Administrative Committee (MAC) Fruit and Vegetable Market Aglar Shopian are invited from public at large/NGO's for execution of Sanitation work at F&V Market Aglar Shopian. The interested parties/persons for outsourcing of sanitation contract of mega Fruit and Vegetable Market Aglar Shopian for the Year 2023-24 w.e.f 01-07-2023 to 31.12.2023 i.e. 27 Sanitations drives @ Rs 5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) per sanitation amounting to Rs 1,35,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Five Thousand).

The tender documents can be can be downloaded from <http://jketenders.gov.in>. Critical Dates Table.

1. Publishing Date	06-06-2023
2. Document Download/Sale Date	06-06-2023
3. Bid Submission start Date	06-06-2023
4. Bid Submission Closing Date	13-06-2023 (Up to 4:00 PM)
5. Bid Submission Opening Date	14-06-2023 (At 11:00 AM)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The successful tendered shall have to enter into an agreement with the Member Secretary MAC Fruit Mandi Shopian. The other terms and conditions are as under:-

- The bidder must have a valid PAN number and the contract shall be allotted to the lowest bidder subject to completion of all requisite formalities.
- The bidder should not be involved in any criminal, fraudulent or anti competition activity and not blacklisted by any government department/PSU etc. and an affidavit for the same to be submitted by the bidder.
- The contractor shall have to make arrangement of at least 10 No. of labours with adequate machinery & equipment's for complete cleanliness of Mega F&V Market Shopian along with its drains, auction platforms/phars in all respect and all internal and external roads and bushes/weed cutting inside the market premises.
- The contractor shall have to keep the F&V Market area neat & clean all the times.
- The sanitation shall be carried out once a week (Sunday) in the entire premises of the Mandi including platform, market yard, all internal roads of the Mandi and all drains within the Mandi area including administrative block including office complex.
- The contractor has to use Black phenyl/Bleaching Powder and spray lime in the F&V Market Shopian at least once a week.
- The contractor shall have to carry and dispose the garbage and other dirt outside the F&V Market at Dumping site designated by MC Shopian.
- The work of sanitation shall be reviewed weekly jointly by the officials of Market Administrative Committee (MAC) Shopian & report will be submitted.
- In case of non-compliance/unsatisfactory work done, the Notice shall be issued to the contractor for immediate redressal and thereafter penalty @5% of monthly bill shall be charged & deducted without any further notice.
- A CDR/Security deposit to the tune of Rs. 13500/- ((Rupees Thirteen Thousand and Five Hundred only) be deposited by the successful bidder and shall be released after completion of contract period.
- In case of any dispute arising at any state/time, the decision of Director Horticulture (P&M) shall be final and binding upon all.
- The contractor shall abide by all the labour laws for the time being in force.
- The payment to the contractor shall be released on monthly basis for which he has to submit bills and mandatory sanitation satisfactory work done certificate by concerned Association of F&V Market Shopian.
- The MAC reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason(s).
- The workers of the contractor will wear proper uniforms, masks and shoes as per norms in vogue.
- The contractor shall furnish the list of workers along with their identity proofs to this office.
- Tax if any applicable under rules which includes TDS/Service Tax or any other tax will be deducted at source.
- The successful bidder should be enrolled under GST to maintain their service tax account from time to time.

Sd/-
Chairman
Market Administrative Committee
Shopian

No:39-II /DDK/HPM/725-26
DIPK-NB-1121/23
Dated: 07/06/2023

NOTICE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC

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Imdad Hussain F/o Misba UI Huda
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Government of Union Territory Jammu & Kashmir Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Bandipora.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

E-NIT No: (17) of 2023-24 DATED:-06-06-2023

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of Union Territory J&K e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on percentage age basis from approved and eligible Civil registered with Union Territory J&K Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/ Central Governments for the following works.

S.No	Name of work	Estt. Cost (Rs. in lacs)	Cost of Tender document (IN Rs.)	Earnest money (IN Rs.)	Time of completion	Date of opening of Bid	Class of contractor	Major Head of Account	Project Authority
1	Passenger Shed near Eidgah Main Bus Stand Ajas	2.00	200 (Indicate name of work with NIT serial no. on TR)	4000.00	20 Days	16-06-2023 10:30 AM	DEE	DDC Grants 2023-24	District Development Commissioner Bandipora

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1.The bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/ downloaded from the Departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below

1.	Date of issue of Tender Notice	06-06-2023
2.	Period of downloading of bidding documents	From 06-06-2023, 2:45 PM
3.	Bid Submission Start date	06-06-2023, 2:45 PM
4.	Bid Submission End date	15-06-2023 upto 04.00 P.M.
5.	Last Date for receiving the hard copy (Original DD & EMD)	Hard copies shall be obtained only from the bidder who is declared as (lowest bidder L1) at the time opening of tenders. The cost of tender document will be collected through e-Challan/Treasury 0059. However the successful bidders will submit the same after the opening of Bids online. Note:- All bidder must upload EMD in shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Bandipora @2% of advertised Cost
6.	Date & time of opening of Bids (online)	16-06-2023 at 10:30 AM in the Office of the Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora

Note: The Bidder will mention the Contact No. and Bidder Name in the BoQ

2.Bids must be accompanied with cost of tender documents under MH-0059 in shape of Treasury Receipt favoring to Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora (tender inviting authority). Indicating S.No of Nit, Name of work and Earnest Money / Bid Security in shape of CDR / FDR pledged to Executive Engineer (R&B Division Bandipora (Tender receiving authority).

3. The bidder who is declared as L 1 shall deposit 3% Performance security of the allotted cost in shape of CDR/ FDR

Pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora (Tender inviting authority) and the 2% EMD shall be Released in favour of the successful bidder only after the receipt of 3% performance security.

4. The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on website www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the Bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened on same website in the Office of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora (tender receiving authority).

5. The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of technical bids.

6. The earnest money shall be fortified, if:-
a. Any bidder/ tendered withdraws his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modification in the terms and conditions of the bid.
b. Failure of successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.

7. Failure of successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.
c. Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.
a. Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the “Downloads” option as well as from “Bidders Manual kit” on website www.jktenders.gov.in acquaint bid submission process.

b. To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get “Digital Signature Certificate” (DSC) as per information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get Digital certificate from any approved vendor.

c. The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital signature. No bid will be accepted in physical form.

d. Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in para-1

e. Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid. (I.e enlistment Registration Card, Online Renewal, Pan Card, GST Registration Certificate with clearance of latest Qtr or preceding Month). Besides original/ photocopies of documents related to the bid be submitted physically/ by registered post/ through courier before the date specified in para-1

f. The bidder who is declared as L 1 shall deposit 3% performance security in shape of CDR/FDR pledged to Executive Engineer R&B Division Bandipora Tender issuing authority and the 2% EMD shall be released only after the receipt of the same.

Note: Scan all the documents on 100Dpi with black & White Option.

8. The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons

9. Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of Treasury Receipt in favour of Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora and Earnest Money in shape of CDR / FDR applicable pledged to Executive Engineer (R&B) Division Bandipora (tender receiving Authority) must be uploaded with the documents of the bid. The original Treasury Receipt (Cost of tender documents), CDR / FDR (earnest money / bid security) & relevant bid documents to be submitted to the tender opening authority by registered post / courier / by hand before due date of submission of tender / as per time schedule specified.

10. Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. The BOQ downloaded should be used for filling the item rate inclusive of all taxes and it should be saved with the same name as it contains.

11. Price escalation and taxes:- The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian rupees and the rates quoted shall be deemed to include price escalation and all taxes up to completion of work unless otherwise specified. Deduction on account of taxes shall be made from the bills for the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per the rates prevailing at the time of recovery.

12. Bidders are advised to use “ My documents” are in their user on R&B e-tendering portal to store such documents as are required.

13. Instructions to Bidder (ITB).

13.1. All Bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids:-
Principal place of Business.

a) PAN No. along with the latest self-attested certificate by the bidders to the effect that he has no sales tax liability / arrears, GST Registration with clearance of Latest Quarter or preceding Month.

13.2. The bidder at his own responsibility and risk should visit and examine the site of work and Its surroundings before submission of Bid.

13.3 All documents relating to the bid shall be in English language.

13.5 All bidders shall mandatory upload verification certificate from the concerned Issuing Authorities of enlistment registration card along-with registration Card and online renewal of Registration card. Non submission of the same shall be render the bid non responsive.

1. If the bidder does not quote rate for any item of the rate list/ quantity schedule, cost of such item/ items shall be deemed to be part of the overall/ total contract value. No rate shall be allowed for such item/ items in the allotment of contract.

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No:-EE/R&B/Bandi/1246-54
DIPK-2978/23
Date: 07-06-2023.

Woman Found Unconscious At Home, Declared Dead At Hospital

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: A young woman, aged approximately 25 or 26, was found unconscious in her room at Srinagar's Nowhatta, however, she was declared dead at the hospital, officials said. An official said despite

the immediate response of her family members, who rushed her to the nearby JLNH Hospital, the doctors declared her dead on arrival. Meanwhile, police have taken cognizance of the incident and investigation is said to be in motion in this regard.

Husband, Wife Injured In Sanat Nagar Accident

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: A husband, wife duo was critically injured in a road accident at Sanat Nagar area of Central Kashmir's Srinagar district on Wednesday, officials said. An official said the duo identified as Ghulam Mustafa and his wife Fah-

meeda—both residents of Rawalpura Srinagar. "They suffered multiple injuries, and were rushed to SMHS hospital for treatment, where the condition of the injured is said to be critical," he said. Further, police have taken cognizance of the incident and investigation is on in this regard.

JKEDI To Host Workshop For Women Entrepreneurs On 19th & 20th June



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI) in collaboration with Startup India, Department for Industrial Policy and Promotion (DPIIT), Government of India is going to organize a two-day workshop for women entrepreneurs of J&K on 19th and 20th June 2023.

Director JKEDI, Ajaz Ahmad Bhat today chaired a preparatory meeting in this regard. Senior faculty members and officers of the Institute participated in the meeting.

It was given out that the workshop will include focused sessions on the startup ecosystem, experience sharing, capacity building and pitching sessions. In addition, participants will also get access to a pre-workshop virtual pitching training session. There will also be participation certificates, cultural programs, and light refreshments.

The Government has undertaken significant steps towards inclusion of women led initiatives for a balanced growth. India has rightly called for the inclusion of gender con-

cerns into the core agenda of the G20 during its Presidency. JKEDI is consistently working to build a strong ecosystem for entrepreneurship and innovation in the UT of J&K. The two-day workshop which was initially scheduled last month is part of a series of events to be held across the country to aid and provide a platform for women entrepreneurs. The workshop will help to organize resources and augment the strength of women participants to help them to reach their full potential and act as an enabling factor for the social and economic advancement of women and society at large.

The workshop is open for aspiring women entrepreneurs of J&K and those startups that are recognized by DPIIT Government of India, with at least one female founder. Interested candidates may contact Vishal Ray, I/c CLIBM on 9971110689, Imtiyaz Ahad, Associate Project Manager, JKEDI on 8825014846 and 01933-222267. Email: malla-imtiyaz@jk.gov.in. and jkedipublic@gmail.com. The registration form can also be filled online at www.jkedi.org.



Hajj pilgrims wave goodbye to their relatives (unseen) before leaving for their holy pilgrimage to Mecca on Wednesday.
KO Photo Abid Bhat

Cancer Patients Suffer As Radiotherapy Machine Develops Fault At SMHS

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Cancer patients had to return disappointed as one of the three radiotherapy machines developed technical snag at SMHS Hospital in Srinagar.

Patients who had come for the radiotherapy sessions said that they had to return back without taking the radiotherapy sessions as one of the machines installed in the radiation oncology department at the hospital developed some fault two days ago.

Gulzar Ahmad, a patient from Budgam said he has to undergo therapy but he had to wait for a long

time due to the defunct machine.

"As therapy is the only treatment for cancer patients, the machine should have been repaired in a short span of time," another cancer patient said, adding that further delay in getting the treatment can deteriorate



the health of

patients.

They appealed to the GMC administration to look into the matter at the earliest and ensure that the machine is repaired at short notice.

Head of Department Radiation Oncology at GMC Srinagar Dr Manzoor Ahmad said that for the last two days only that the machine developed a small issue due to temperature control because of increase in temperature.

"We are on it and it will be taken care of permanently but even then we are making sure to treat as many patients as possible and do our utmost not to send any patient back if he has reported to the department," he said.

He said that even the one which had the issue is still being used and it is functional, though in between it develops temperature fluctuations.

KU Conference On Environment Concludes, 389 Delegates Present Papers

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: At least 389 delegates from different parts of the country presented their papers during a national conference on global environmental challenges which concluded at the University of Kashmir on Wednesday.

324 delegates joined the conference in offline mode, whereas 65 delegates presented their research work in the online mode during the mega event, organized by the Department of Environmental Science, KU, in collaboration with Zoological Society of India. The delegates had converged from at least 23 universities and other institutions in the country.

Spanning 25 themes of critical importance, the conference deliberations were marked by insightful exchange of ideas, sharing of knowledge, academic debates and group discussions with a view to find long-

term solutions for sustainability.

Of a total 16 technical sessions, eight were reserved for the oral offline presentations, four for oral online presentations and four for offline poster presentations. Two more sessions were reserved for the competition for young scientist and senior scientist awards by the ZSI.

Vice-Chancellor, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Awantipora, Prof Shakil A Romshoo chaired the valedictory session on Wednesday, while Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir, Prof A Ravinder Nath, was the guest of honour. Other guests who shared the dais included Prof Irshad A Nawchoo, Dean Research, KU; Prof B N Pandey, President ZSI; Dr Ashok K Saxena, Former General President ISCA; Dr B K Das, Director CIFRI; Prof B D Joshi, President IAES, Prof Ghulam Jeelani, Dean School of Earth and Environmental Sciences, KU.

Prof Romshoo talked about climate

change, global warming, retreating glaciers, floods, calamities, uneven weather changes and highlighted the need to create a sustainable environment for the future generations.

Prof A Ravinder Nath emphasized the need to save the fragile ecosystem of J&K which has a potential to be one of the best tourist destinations in the country.

Prof Nawchoo shared his experiences to highlight the declining population of plants and animals "because of excessive human interference" and called for "conserving the native ecosystems".

Prof Fayaz Ahmad, Head, Department of Environmental Science, presented the welcome address as convener of the conference, while Dr Yahya Bakhtiyar conducted the proceedings of the valedictory session and presented a report of the three-day deliberations. Dr Mohammad Muslim presented the vote of thanks.

Public Grievance Redressal Camp Held At Takiya Sangreshi Khimber

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: In its endeavor to bring Administration to the door steps of the people, particularly living in remote areas of the District, the Deputy Commissioner Srinagar, Mohammad Aijaz Asad today held a Public Grievance Redressal Camp under weekly Block Diwas at Takiya Sangreshi, Khimber to listen to the developmental demands of the local people and address their issues.

DDC Member, Qaiser Ahmad Ganai, DDC Member Shabir Ahmad, Panchayat representatives and a large number of people of Takiya Sangreshi, Khimber and adjoining areas in North Tehsil of the District were part of the Public Grievance Redressal Camp.

While, Chief Planning Officer Srinagar, District Statistics & Evaluation Officer, Chief Agriculture Officer, Assistant Commissioner Development, Chief Horticulture officer, Chief Animal Husbandry Officer, Tehsildar North, BDO



Harwan, Executive Engineer R&B, Lead District Manager and other District Officers were also present on the occasion.

During the Grievance Redressal Camp, the DDC members and the people of the area expressed their gratitude to the Deputy Commissioner for bringing the District Administration at their doorsteps by holding Block Diwas at Takiya Sangreshi, Khimber the last habitation of Srinagar District.

On the occasion, local DDC member, PRI representatives projected various issues and demands before the Deputy Commissioner including infrastruc-

ture upgradation of Government Boys Middle School, construction/upgradation of road from Takiya Sangreshi to Mongi Dajan, providing local transportation facility, installation of mobile tower in area for mobile connectivity, renovation of Ziyarat Takiya Sangreshi providing employment opportunities to local youth and other development related matters.

The Deputy Commissioner after giving patient hearing to the grievances and demands of the public issued on the spot instructions for their time bound redressal. He assured them that

all other genuine demands and issues projected by them will be taken up with concerned authorities on priority.

Addressing the gathering, the Deputy Commissioner said the purpose of holding such grievance redressal Camps is to take appraisal of local issues from the general public and ensure their time bound redressal without visiting the DC Office or other Government Offices.

With regard to the demand related to upgradation of road, the DC said that upgradation work on 1.5 kilometre road from Takiya Sangreshi to Mongi Dajan via

Government Boys Middle School is being taken up under NABARD at a cost of Rs 3.10 crore so that local people and school going children are benefitted.

Similarly, the DC asked the Tehsildar North to identify suitable land for infrastructure upgradation of Government Boys Middle School. The Chief Education Officer was also asked to take up necessary measures to propose the same under the SAMAGRA scheme.

The DC said Khimber has a huge potential for tourism activities and stressed on tapping the potential fully to boost the local economy and generate employment avenues for local youth. He also asked the local population to get registered with the Tourism Department for Home Stay.

The DC further asked the local youth to come forward and avail benefit from different self-employment schemes of the Government launched for handholding of unemployed youth.

- TRAFFIC POLICE : 9419993745, 01998-266686
- PCR: 0194-2452092, 2455883
- PDD: 0194-2450213
- FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES : 2479488, 2452222, 2452155
- CAPD: 18001807011
- SMC HEALTH OFFICER: 9469409081
- Ambulance: Kashmir EMS Service: +91 94841 00200

AIRPORTS

SHIEK UL ALAM AIRPORT: 01942303311



RAILWAYS

- SRINAGAR: 0194-2103259
- ANANTNAG: 01932-228243
- BARAMULLA: 0194-102029
- BUBHERA: 01932-228243
- PAMPORE: 01933-294132
- PATTAN: 01954-293507
- QAZIGUND: 01951-296153



HIGHWAY STATUS



Sgr-Jammu highway - (Open)
Mughal Road - (Open)
Srinagar- Leh- (Open)



PRAYERS

FAJR	3 :35
ZUHR	12:30
ASR	5: 29
Magrib	7:43
ISHA	9:24

This Day In History

- 452 - Italy invaded by Attila the Hun
- 536 - St Silverius begins his reign as Catholic Pope
- 793 - Vikings plunder St Cuthbert's monastery on Lindisfarne
- 979 - Louis V de Luie, crowned King of France
- 1191 - King Richard I of England arrives at Acre in modern day Israel to join the Siege of Acre during the Third Crusade.
- 1405 - Richard le Scrope, Archbishop of York and Thomas Mowbray, Earl of Norfolk, are executed in York on Henry IV's orders.
- 1551 - Pope Julius III excommunicates Duke Ottavio Farnese of Parma
- 1624 Earthquake strikes Peru
- 1632 - Frederick Henry, Prince of Orange, conquers Sittard
- 1663- Battle at Amegical: English & Portugese fleet beats Spanish
- 1690- Siddi general YadiSakat, razes the Mazagon Fort in Mumbai.
- 1694-English troop landing at Brest attack (300 killed)
- 1783- Laki Volcano in southern Iceland begins 8-month eruption
- 1786- Commercially made icecream 1st advertised (Mr Hall, NYC)
- 1789- James Madison introduces a proposed Bill of Rights in the U.S. House of Representatives.
- 1815- 39 German states unite under Act of Confederation
- 1824- Washing machine patented by Noah Cushing of Quebec
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- 1905- US President Roosevelt sends identical notes to Japan and Russia urging them to negotiate and end hostilities, offering his personal services
- 1936-1st parking meters are invented
- 1937- World's largest flower blooms in NY Botanical Garden, 12' calla lily

From KO Archives

5th Relaunch Of Kashir Channel To Cost Rs 5 Crore

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR - The much-hyped Kashir channel of Doordarshan is poised for 'relaunch' for the umpteenth time on Friday. A neat Rs five crore is likely to be spent to mark the occasion

Reliable sources told Observer News Service two chartered plane-loads of senior government officials from the union ministries of home and information and broadcasting besides scores of Bollywood celebrities were expected to descend on this capital city, otherwise resonant with screams and shrieks emanating from the unabated violence. The VVIP guests, who include Amitabh Bachan and Shahrukh Khan, would be lodged in Grand Palace hotel.

Sources said the Doordarshan authorities would organise a 2-day extravaganza at the world famous rendezvous, SK International Convention Centre. It will be marked by several cultural pageants and musical concerts. A team of Doordarshan officials is already in town lining up the arrangements for the big occasion.

It may be recalled the Kashir channel is being relaunched for the fifth time, ostensibly by way of commissioning of a new transmitter. It was first launched during the erstwhile Congress government in 1996 by the then minister, K P Singh Deo, from Delhi as a satellite channel. A year later, Sushma Swaraj of the BJP government performed its fresh inauguration as a terrestrial channel to facilitate direct reception without cable or dish antenna. Again, in 1999, Pramod Mahajan launched the channel with enhanced power transmitter. And, for the fourth time, on this year's Republic day, the gov-ernor and the chief minister launched the channel with great fanfare only to extend the duration of its telecasts to 16 hours.

Well placed Doordarshan sources told Observer News Service the qualitatively poor channel with hardly any viewership has allegedly assumed the dubious of being a money spinner for the mandarins in Delhi and Srinagar. At present, the director general of news, AIR, Harish Awasthi, is holding the additional charge of Kashir channel. His joint director, Anurag Mishra, alleged to be Awasthi's blue-eyed boy, holds the additional charge as controller programmes of Kashir channel. He has been seen in a well-known hotel here almost on every weekend.

Over the years, sources said, the channel had enriched a number of people, including an employee of the state forest corporation whose house was raided by the vigilance organisation in 1998 in an alleged corruption case. Among other things, around 120 empty cases of jewelry had been seized. It has been alleged more than Rs two crore worth of assignments were given to the kith and kin of the official.

(Kashmir Observer, June 08, 2000)

Top wrestlers agree to suspend protest till June 15 on government’s request

Press Trust of India

NEW DELHI: The protesting wrestlers on Wednesday agreed to suspend their protest for a week after the government asked them to wait till police completes its probe into sexual harassment allegations against WFI chief Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh by June 15.

The wrestlers, after a nearly five-hour meeting with Sports Minister Anurag Thakur, said the government has also assured them that the police will withdraw the FIRs filed against them.

The wrestlers were booked for violation of law and order on May 28 when they marched towards the new Parliament building without permission to hold ‘Mahila Samman Mahapachayat’.

The meeting was attended by Olympic medalists Bajrang Punia, Sakshi Malik, her husband Satyawart Kadiyan and Jitender Kinha.

Double world medallist Vinesh Phogat, a prominent face of the protest



against WFI chief, skipped the meet.

“We were told that police investigation will be complete by June 15. Till then, we have been asked to wait and suspend the protest,” Sakshi Malik told reporters after the meeting.

“The Delhi police will also withdraw the FIRs filed against the wrestlers lodged on May 28,” she added.

Both Malik and Punia asserted that

their agitation was not yet over and they have suspended their protest only till June 15 as requested by the government.

Later addressing a press conference, Thakur said the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) elections be held by June 30.

The crucial meeting was called by Thakur to break the deadlock.

Over 1,400 Migrants Are Rescued From Overcrowded Boats Off Italy By Coast Guard



Agencies

ROME: More than 1,400 migrants have been rescued from overcrowded vessels, including a sailboat, in four separate operations in the Mediterranean Sea off southern Italy, the Italian coast guard said Wednesday.

There were 47 migrants, including two children in immediate need of medical care, aboard the sailboat in distress off the region of Calabria, in the “toe” of the Italian peninsula, a coast guard statement said. They were rescued by a coast guard motorboat early Tuesday.

The statement said the rescues began late Monday night and ended in the early hours of Wednesday in the Ionian Sea off Calabria's east coast. One coast guard vessel took on around 590 migrants from aboard a fishing boat, and then later brought on around 650 migrants from another fishing boat, the statement said.

A coast guard motorboat and an Italian border police ship came to the assistance of a fourth vessel, with 130 migrants aboard.

Authorities didn't immediately give details on the nationalities of the passengers

or routes taken by the migrant vessels. But generally, many boats with migrants sighted off the Ionian Sea set out from Turkiye's coast, where smugglers launch crowded and unseaworthy boats.

Earlier this year, a migrant boat navigating on that route slammed into a sandbank just off a Calabrian beach town and broke apart. At least 94 migrants perished and 80 others survived.

That shipwreck is under criminal investigation, including the role of several members of Italy's border police corps, which operates vessels off the country's long coastline. Four suspected smugglers have been arrested.

In addition, prosecutors want to know if rescue efforts could have been launched hours earlier. Italian border police boats reportedly turned back to port because of rough seas, and by the time a coast guard vessel, better equipped to navigate in poor sea conditions, reached the area, bodies were already in the water. In that case, the migrant boat had been spotted hours earlier by a surveillance aircraft operated by Frontex, the European Union's border monitoring force.

Air India Ferry Flight Takes Off For Russia To Fly 216 Stranded Passengers To San Francisco

Press Trust of India

Air India ferry flight finally took off from here for Magadan in far east Russia at around 1520 hours on Wednesday to fly its 216 San Francisco-bound passengers stranded in the port city since Tuesday.

The airline said the aircraft operating the ferry flight will take all passengers and crew onward to San Francisco on June 8.

As many as 216 passengers and 16 crew have been put up in make-shift accommodation in the remote Russian town after the Delhi-San Francisco flight was diverted to Magadan, following a snag in one of the Boeing 777 engines, where it made an emergency landing.

The replacement aircraft was scheduled to depart at 1300 hours (IST) from Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport on Wednesday.

"Our ferry flight AI195 from Mumbai (BOM) to Magadan, Russia (GDX) is now airborne, and is expected to arrive at GDX at 0630 Hours (local time) on 08 June 2023," Air India said in a statement. It said that a team from the airline is also on board the flight to provide any support that the passengers and staff at GDX may require.

The ferry flight is carrying essentials in addition to a sufficient amount of food to cater to all passengers on the onward flight scheduled from Magadan (GDX) to San Francisco (SFO), Air India said.

On Tuesday, Air India's Delhi-San Francisco flight AI 173 carrying 216 passengers and 16 crew on board a Boeing 777 aircraft diverted to Magadan Airport and made an emergency landing there after one of the engines developed a snag mid-air.

Air India in its earlier statement had said that all the passengers and crew were provided "hotel accommodation".

On Wednesday it said that "infrastructure constraints" have forced it to lodge them in make-shift accommodations despite "making sincere attempts to accommodate passengers in hotels locally with the help of local government authorities".

It also said that Air India does not have a staff based in the remote town of Magadan or in Russia, and the support that is being provided to the passengers "is the best possible in this unusual circumstance".



Man Files Case Against Wife Who Faked His Death To Get Odisha Relief Money

Press Trust of India

BHUBANESWAR: A woman who tried to "fake" her husband's death in the Balasore train accident for compensation cash announced by the state government and Railways is in trouble.

Gitanjali Datta of Maniabanda in Cuttack district had claimed that her husband Bijay Datta had died in the accident on June 2 and had even identified a body as her husband's. However,

after verification of documents, it was found that her claim was false.

Though police let her go with a warning, trouble started after her husband filed a complaint at Maniabanda police station. The woman has now gone into hiding fearing arrest, police said.

Police said the couple has been living separately for the last 13 years.

Bijay has demanded stringent action against Gitanjali for attempting

to grab public money and also faking his death.

Maniabanda police station in-charge Basant Kumar Satpathy said police have asked Gitanjali's husband to lodge a complaint at Bhanaga police station in Balasore district as the incident took place there.

Meanwhile, Chief Secretary PK Jena asked the Railways and Odisha police to take stringent action against people making fake claimants over bodies.

Government of Jammu & Kashmir

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
SCHOOL EDUCATION DIVISION-II-KASHMIR

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

E-NIT No:-25/ET/SAMAGRA/Kmr of 06/2023 (Single Cover System) Dated:06/06/2023.

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT e-tenders (In single cover system) are invited on Percentage Basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K UT Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/ Central Governments Departments for the following works:-

SNo.	Name of Work	District	Est. Cost (Rs. in Lacs) Includ. C/O Stores	Cost of T/Doc. (In rupees)	Earnest Money (In rupees)	Time of Completion (in days)	Date & time of Opening of Bid	Class of Contract	MH of Account
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
01	Construction of Girls elementary toilet at GPS Chilpora	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
02	Construction of Girls elementary toilet at PS K.B. Zampathri	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
03	Construction of Secondary Boys Toilet at HS Bohrihala Payeen	Shopian	2.38	200.00	4760.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB 2022-2023
04	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at BHS Zawoora	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
05	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Aglar	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
06	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Bohrihala Payeen.	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
07	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Kumdalan	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
08	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Rawalpura	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
09	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Ahgam	Shopian	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
10	Construction of Girls elementary toilet at UPS Satrooa	Pulwama	1.76	200.00	3520.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23
11	Construction of Secondary Boys Toilet at GHSS Sedow	Shopian	2.38	200.00	4760.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB 2022-2023
12	Construction of Secondary Boys Toilet at BHS Wahibugh	Pulwama	2.38	200.00	4760.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB 2022-2023
13	Construction of Secondary Boys Toilet at GHSS Pahloo.	Kulgam	2.38	200.00	4760.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB 2022-2023
14	Construction of Secondary Boys Toilet at GHSS Devsar Kulgam.	Kulgam	2.38	200.00	4760.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB 2022-2023
15	Construction of Kitchen Cum Store Shed at MS Galman. (Fresh)	Kulgam	5.37	300.00	10740.00	120	16/06/2023	C/D	District Capex
16	Construction of Toilet for Girls and Boys(one Each) at MS Galman. (Fresh)	Kulgam	3.83	200.00	7660.00	120	16/06/2023	D	District Capex
17	Construction of Secondary Girls Toilet at HS Batafojan.	Shopian	3.50	200.00	7000.00	120	16/06/2023	D	PAB- 2022-23

Position of AAA: Accorded

Technical Sanction: Sanctioned.

Position of funds : Committed

Note:-As per Circular issued by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir Civil Sectarier Finance department videNo.OM No.A/24(2017)-651 dtd.07-06-2018 which reads as under:-

A)

Furnishing of hard copies of bids immediately after submission of e tenders is dispensed with the same and should be obtained from the bidder who is declared first lowest (L1) after opening of financial bids.

B)

(i) All bidders have to pay 2% of Advertised Cost of the Work as earnest money deposit (EMD) in shape of CDRpledged to Executive Engineer Education Division-II Srinagar at the time of uploading of tender.

(ii.) The successful Bidder has to produce Performance Security Deposit @5% of contract value in the shape of CDR/FDR of the Advertised cost Pledged to Executive Engineer Education Division-II Srinagarwithin 07 days after opening of Bids which shall be released after successful completion of work with DLP. This will replace the EMD@ 2% of the Advertised cost uploaded by the Bidder.

D)

The earnest money may be forfeited if :-

a. Any bidder /tenderer withdraws his bid/tender during the period of bid validity or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

b. Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.

c. Failure of successful bidder to execute the agreement within 28 days after fixation of contract.

The Bidding documents Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of dates given below.

NOTE:-The EMD of 2% uploaded should be as per the date of NIT, before date of NIT Bid shall be reject.

1.	Date of issue of Tender Notice	06/06/2023
2.	Period of downloading of bidding documents.	From 06/06/2023 to 16/06/2023 upto 4PM
3.	Bid submission Start Date	06/06/2023.
4.	Bid submission End Date	16/06/2023 upto 4PM
5.	Date & Time of opening of Bids(Online)	17/06/2023 at 11 AM Office of the Executive Engineer School Education Division 2nd Kashmir

1.

Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document to be deposited in the official Bank Account No:-0148040530000004Gole Market karanagar Sgr, and the bank receipt as per the amount deposited and mentioned against the relevant work should be uploaded along with the other required documents in shape of bank receipt in favour of Bill deposit/PMDP/Document Fees Samagra Shiksha/ Executive Engineer School Education Deptt. Div2nd It is important to mention name of Bidder, Name of work and NIT No./S.No on the bank receipt counter file which has to be attached with the bid.

2.

The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web-site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of Responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the Office of the Executive Engineer School Education Division - 2nd Kashmir (tender receiving authority)/other competent authority to do so.

3.

The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 60/120/30 days from the date of opening of financial bids.

4.

The earnest money shall be forfeited, if:-

a) Any bidder/ tenderer withdraw his bid/ tender during the period of bid validity or make any Modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid.

b) Failure of Successful bidder to furnish the required performance security within the specified time limit.

c) Failure of Successful bidder to execute the agreement within 15 days after fixation of contract.

5.

Instruction to bidders regarding e-tendering process.

6.1.

Bidders are advised to download bid submission manual from the "Downloads" option as well as from "Bidders Manual Kit" on website www.jktenders.gov.in to acquaint bid submission process.

6.2.

To participate in bidding process, bidders have to get "Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) as per Information Technology Act-2000. Bidders can get digital certificate from any approved vendors.

6.3.

The bidders have to submit their bids online in electronic format with digital Signature. No bid will be accepted in physical form.

6.4.

Bids will be opened online as per time schedule mentioned in Para-1.

6.5.

Bidders must ensure to upload scanned copy of all necessary documents with the bid. Besides, original/Photocopies of documents related to the bid are submitted physically by (L1) first lowest bidder before the date specified in para-1. Note: - Scan all the documents on 100 dpi with black and white option.

7.

The department will not be responsible for delay in online submission due to any reasons.

8.

Scanned copy of cost of tender document in shape of bank receipt in favour of Executive Engineer School Education Deptt. Div 2nd and must be uploaded with the document of the bid. The original bank receipt (cost of tender document) CDR (earnest money) and relevant bid documents to be submitted to the tender opening authority by Registered post/ Courier/by hand before the date of submission of tender/ as per time schedule specified by (L1).

9.

Bidders are advised not to make any change in BOQ (Bill of Quantities) contents. In no case they should attempt to create similar BOQ manually. The BOQ download-ed should be used for filling the item rate inclusive of all taxes and it should be saved with the same name as it contains.

10.

Price escalation and all taxes: - The unit rates and prices shall be quoted by the bidder entirely in Indian Rupees and the rates quoted shall be deemed to include price escalation and all taxes upto completion of the work Deduction on account of taxes and other services as levied by the government time to time shall be made from the bills of the contractor on gross amount of the bill as per rates prevailing at the time of recovery.

11.

Bidders are advised to use "My Documents" area in their user on R&B e-Tendering portal to store such documents as are required.

Instructions to Bidder (ITB)

All bidders shall include the following information and documents with their bids:-

a)

Scanned Copies of original documents defining constitution/legal status, place of registration and principal place of Business with registered E-mail address and Mobile No. of the bidder / Firm/ SHG.

b)

Valid PAN No.

c)

GST No. / GST acknowledgement receipt along with latest GST (3B) and GST (R1) shall be furnished in soft copies of ending previous month & quarterly respectively.

BID Securing Declaration On e-Stamp Paper Duly notarized.

"The bidder has to sign a bid securing declaration that if the bidder withdraw / modify during the period validity i.e. not less than 120 (One hundred Twenty) days from the bid date or if the bidder awarded contract and fail to sign the contract or to submit the performance security before deadline defined in the request for the bid documents, the bidder will be suspended for the participation in the tendering process for the works, for a period of one year from the bid due date of this work. The bid securing declaration shall be submitted as per the Format appendix-I (Format for bid securing declaration)".

Note for Bidders Upload the Documents. S.No.01 to 06 in one pdf file.

Note for Bidders Upload the Documents:-

1.

Scanned copy of EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) EMD Uploaded should be dated between the 1st day and last day of bid submission. & Tender document fee.

2.

Scanned copy of Registration card with up to date renewal with Verification Certificate

3.

Scanned copy of Pan Card & GST Acknowledgement / GST Return (3B) and GST (R) i.e latest clearance certificate preceding month to the issue of NIT

4.

Upload the e-stamp paper duly notarized Bid Securing Declaration Form.

5.

Contractor to upload the Annexure.A..

6.

Bill of quantities (BOQ)

Note:- All the Scanned Documents upload in serial wise (1 to 6). The lowest Tender will have to submit hard copies of all documents uploaded on e-tendering portal before issuance of LOI or Allotment.

Note for Bidders:- 1 Submission of registered Address/e-mail/GST/PAN/Cell No contact No is must, otherwise bid of the contractor shall be rejected if contact No, correspondence address and E-Mail is not uploaded.

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Iran Has A Hypersonic Missile. What Does That Mean?

Agencies

TEHRAN: Iran has unveiled Fattah, a hypersonic ballistic missile it says is capable of breaching defence systems, which could cause further concerns for the West and Israel.

So, what are hypersonic missiles, who has them, what is the Iranian version capable of, and what's the context of their unveiling? What are hypersonic missiles?

Hypersonic missiles are projectiles that can move at a speed of at least Mach 5, or five times the speed of sound. That is 1.7km (1.05 miles) per second or 6,174km (3,836 miles) per hour.

Some ballistic missiles already reach these speeds, but this new class of weapon separates itself from the pack as it can take a more random path to its intended target after plunging back into the earth's atmosphere.

This makes it far more difficult to be detected by

radar systems and to be destroyed by defence shields.

More countries are pursuing hypersonic weaponry in hopes they will provide them with a military edge, but the challenges remain formidable.

For one, friction from the upper atmosphere produces extremely high temperatures, while the intense speed of the missile produces superheated particles surrounding it that make it harder for radio communications to get through.

So far, Russia and China have displayed an array of hypersonic weapons, with Moscow being the only one thought to have tested them in combat.

The United States has also tested hypersonic missiles but lags slightly behind its two rivals.

What does the Iranian missile look like?

Several months after the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) first announced in November that it had a hypersonic missile, the Fattah was displayed on Tuesday.

Iran says the projectile has a range of 1,400km (870 miles) and can move at a massive speed of up to Mach 15 (5.1 km or 3.2 miles per second) before hitting its target.

It is also said to feature a moveable secondary nozzle and employ solid

propellants that allow for high manoeuvrability within and outside the atmosphere, which top IRGC commanders have claimed means no missile defence system in the world is a match for it.

Iranian authorities have also praised a "generational leap" in missile technology on the back of the Fattah, which they have said will give Iran new levels of deterrence.

They have dismissed Western scepticism of Iran's development of hypersonic missiles, saying the truth will be revealed "on the day" such arms may be used, and that the US is only sceptical as the technology undermines its efforts to sell arms to the region.

Should Israel and the West be concerned?

Iran has refrained from directly threatening its arch foe Israel in unveiling its latest missile, as it had with some of its previous ones, but the signs are there.

Elections In J&K Soon: BJP Gen Secretary

Says UT Embracing PM Modi's Agenda Of Faith, Development

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), National General Secretary, and In Charge Jammu and Kashmir, Tarun Chug, on Wednesday said the elections in Jammu and Kashmir will be held soon and that J&K will no longer operate based on the agenda of separatism as it follows the agenda of faith and development set by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Chug further mentioned that the commission is diligently carrying out its responsibilities and will soon announce elections in Jammu and Kashmir. Talking to media persons,

Chug raised the question of who is engaging in boycott politics in Jammu and Kashmir. He emphasized the existence of democracy in the country and highlighted the people of Jammu and Kashmir's belief in democracy.

Chug further stated, "Abdullah, Mufti, and Gandhi families have undermined democracy in Jammu and Kashmir, resulting in a loss of faith in the democratic process among the people."

"He also pointed out that since the revocation of Article 370, DDC Elections, BDC Elections, and Panchayat elections have taken place in Jammu and Kashmir," he said, adding that thousands of delegates have been elected, including 280 DDCs. The election commission is currently engaged in its tasks and will soon announce elections in Jammu and Kashmir." —(KNO)

PDP Delegation Submits Memorandum To J&K Admin, Highlights Various Demands

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: A nine-member PDP delegation on Wednesday submitted a memorandum to Jammu and Kashmir administration here, highlighting various demands including a house and a government job to the family of terror victim Deepu Kumar.

The four-page memorandum, signed by party general secretary Amreek Singh Reen, was handed over to the divisional commissioner, Jammu.

It also demanded shifting of Army ammunition depots from Kunjwani and Kaluchak and upgradation and renovation of several tourist places, including Mubarak Mandi in Jammu.

"The memorandum speaks about various demands on behalf of the public for urgent intervention of the Jammu and Kashmir administration. The demands include a rehabilitation package for

the poor family of Kumar, a private circus worker, who lost his life in a terror attack in Anantnag on May 29," PDP spokesperson Varinder Singh Sonu told PTI.

He said PDP members recently visited the house of Kumar in Udhampur district to express condolences with his family on behalf of party president Mehbooba Mufti.

"Kumar's family lost the sole breadwinner and is in extreme poverty. The government should immediately provide a concrete house, a government job and an exgratia relief of Rs 25 lakh to them as his father is suffering from various ailments and his elder brother is blind," he said.

Sonu said the memorandum talked about the alleged failure of the government to protect the lives of the minorities in the valley from the targeted attacks and said the killing of Kumar belied the government claims of peace.

Visible Dropout Trend Among Class VIII Students In J&K: MoE

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The Ministry of Education (MoE) has said that in Jammu and Kashmir there was a visible dropout trend among the students studying in Class-VIII.

The Ministry has accordingly directed the Jammu and Kashmir administration to work on improving the issue.

According to the news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO), MoE in the Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting said, "A dropout trend is visible in Class VIII. UT is requested to look upon the data school wise in terms of data variation and work in coordination with UT labour department and capture the data of students pursuing ITIs and polytechnic and capture them into the database."

In the meeting, Jammu and Kashmir administration has informed the MoE that in order to improve the retention rate at elementary and Primary Level, J&K UT, has developed and launched SAMIKSHA - performance Feedback of Teachers by per Students. "It is web based and unique in nature. Besides, this STEER (Mentoring of Students) is being done and both the steps shall surely restore the confidence of parents and students on the education system in the state and will ensure to improve the retention rate," it reads.

MoE was further informed that over the last two years, there is increasing trend in enrolment and which reflects the faith of the parents in government education System. —(KNO)



THE FIRST BATCH OF 630 PILGRIMS from Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday left for Saudi Arabia for the annual Haj pilgrimage.

KO PHOTO, ABID BHAT

Use Of JCB's, L&T Cranes In Riverbed Mining

NGT Constitutes Joint Committee, Seeks Factual Report

Observer News Service

NEW DELHI: In a fresh case the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has ordered for the constitution of a joint committee and sought a detailed report from Govt with regard to use of heavy machinery like JCB's and L&T cranes in riverbed mining in Kashmir.

A recent petition filed by social activist Dr Raja Muzaffar Bhat in before the NGT says that Environmental Clearances have been granted for undertaking riverbed mining in Doodh Ganga, Rambhara and Ramshoo streams flowing through three districts of Budgam, Pulwama and Shopian.

The petition says that Environmental Clearances for the 6 mining locations have been granted on the basis of the condition that mining will be undertaken manually with minimal support from mechanized methods and no heavy machinery can be used.

The NGT bench of Justice Sudhir Aggarwal and Dr Senthil Vel (Expert Member) took up only the illegal riverbed mining case pertaining to district Budgam and asked the counsel of the petitioner Dr Raja Muzaffar Bhat to file separate applications for other two districts.

"In our view, on the issue raised before us, it will be appropriate to obtain a factual report, for the purpose whereof, we constitute a joint Committee comprising Pollution Control Committee J&K, State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority- SEIAA,



Director, Geology and Mining Department and District Magistrate, Budgam. The factual and action taken report shall be submitted within two months. A copy of this order be forwarded to State PCB; SEIAA J&K, Director, Geology and Mining Department and District Magistrate, Budgam by e-mail for compliance" reads the NGT order issued on May 29th

The petitioner in his application had said that JCB's and L&T cranes were being used for riverbed mining by project proponents in Doodh Ganga, Rambhara and Ramshoo nallah which goes against the J&K Minor Mineral Concession Rules 2016 and guidelines of J&K State Environment Impact Assessment Authority-SEIAA.

Pertinently The Specific Condition No. 53 of JKSEIAA reads as:

"Mining shall be done manually minimally supported by semi-mechanized methods. Heavy machinery like JCBs, L&T hydraulic excavators etc. should not be allowed."

"I have been requesting the Govt of J&K, Geology & Mining

Secretary, District Magistrates, DMOs and Police authorities that JCB's, L&T Cranes can't be used for extracting sand, boulders, gravel, bajri and other riverbed material. They failed to act even after my repeated requests in the past. The use of this heavy machinery is totally banned as per the Minor Mineral Rules 2016 and JK State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority -SEIAA guideline. This isn't coming to a halt. Infact Geology & Mining Department gave a clean chit to Project Proponents/ Contractors of Doodh Ganga in a report filed before NGT in another case. I will contest that also and expose the nexus between the Mining Department and so called Project Proponents. The Mining Department is targeting local lorry and truck drivers by levying huge penalties on them under the garb of Environmental Compensation, but no action is being taken against the erring project proponents who are the main violators. I was again forced to seek intervention of the Hon'ble NGT" said Dr Raja Muzaffar the petitioner

Crime Branch Files Charges Against 7 Accused

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Special Crime Wing (Crime Branch) Srinagar has produced charge sheet against seven accused persons in a local court here in loan fraud case.

According to a statement, the chargesheet was filed in case FIR No. 59 of 2007 before the court of city Judge Srinagar against 07 accused persons namely Sheikh Samiullah S/O Abdul Rashid Sheikh @ Abdullah R/O Nawa Kadal Srinagar, Madal Lal Sharma S/O K.C. Sharma R/O Presently 196 A Ghandhi Nagar Jammu, Nisar Ahmad R/O Shaheed Gunj Srinagar, 4) Mst. Sheikh Neelam Jan R/O HMT Srinagar, Mohd Sayed Sheikh S/O late Gh. Mohammad R/O Natipora Srinagar, Mudur Kumar Naigi S/O Chander Singh Naigi R/O Utrakhand A/P Panchkola Haryana and the beneficiary (now deceased) for their involvement in commission of offences punishable under section 420,467,468,471,201 read with 120-B RPC.

The statement reads that the instant case was registered in Crime Branch Kashmir, on a complaint lodged by Deputy Commissioner Budgam regarding sanction of loan to the tune of Rupees 48 lacs by Indian Overseas Bank Branch Dalgate, Srinagar on the basis of fake and forged revenue documents of a mortgaged land.

"During investigation of the case it was established that in the year 2006 Sheikh Samiullah along with his uncle (now deceased), then Manager and Assistant Manager of Indian Overseas Bank hatched a criminal conspiracy whereby the beneficiary applied for a loan for the purchase of photography machinery for a non-existent room of a non-existent firm by the name and style Afreen Productions Zero Bridge

Srinagar," it reads.

It reads that in furtherance of this conspiracy Sheikh Samiullah and the beneficiary purchased 04 Kanals of land at Bugroo Khansahib Budgam and obtained the revenue papers of the said land from concerned revenue authorities for mortgaging the said property.

"Sheikh Samiullah forged these revenue documents by replacing Bugroo with Bemina Srinagar owing to the fact that rate of land is much higher at Bemina as compared to Bugroo Khansahib. Bank Manager, Deputy Manager and legal advisor of Indian Overseas Bank Dalgate without verifying these documents facilitated the main accused in availing loan to the tune of Rs. 48 lacs."

It added that as the loan application mentioned that machinery and equipment for M/S Afreen Productions had been obtained from M/S Oriental Stores Hari Singh High Street Srinagar, Sheikh Samiullah managed to open a Bank account at J&K Bank Ganpatyar Srinagar in the name of his wife Mst. Neelam Jan mentioning her as Prop. of M/S Oriental Stores H.S.H.S Srinagar.

"Indian Overseas Bank Dalgate Srinagar transferred the sanctioned loan amount into this account being the supplier of machinery, which was withdrawn by Sheikh Samiullah and not a single repayment was made towards the loan."

It further reads that main beneficiary of the fraud Sheikh Samiullah is a known fraudster, who is also wanted in Case FIR No. 05/2019 U/S 420,468,471,120 (B) RPC P/S Economic Offences Wing, Crime Branch Srinagar, which is under investigation.

"The Court of Principal & District Sessions Judge, Srinagar has declared him as a "Proclaimed Offender" in case FIR No. 34 of 2015, which is under trial."

Amarnath Yatra 2023 Should Setup New Benchmarks In Efficient Management: CS



Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta, Wednesday held a high level meeting of civil administration and police to take stock of arrangements for the upcoming Shri Amarnathji Yatra, 2023 in light of Supreme Court directions to ensure smooth conduct of yatra.

Dr Mehta observed that the yatra is filled with religious fervour and should be developed as benchmark in religious tourism. The yatra has significant impact on both our economy and composite culture. He said that all arrangements made should make the Yatra a memorable experience. He also said that the pilgrims should fully enjoy this spiritual journey in the lap of nature without any haste to cover more distance.

The Chief Secretary took first hand appraisal from all the concerned Departments and Deputy Commissioners about the civil works related to the smooth conduct of the yatra. He enquired from them the kind of arrangements and back up plans for providing reliable accommodation, water, electricity facilities made by each of them in their districts.

He directed the Divisional District Administration to ensure that no Langar, tenement or any other service is established in disaster prone areas. He urged the concerned DCS to certify the same before commencement of yatra. He also asked for deployment of NDRF, SDRF and mountain rescue team personnel in adequate numbers at all the vulnerable spots enroute Holy Cave.

3 Kashmiri Students Nominated For Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Program

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: In a significant achievement, three Kashmiri students have been nominated for the prestigious Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Programme in Science under the SAKURA Exchange Programme in Science.

The students, Danish Javed from UPS, Machipora, Kupwara, Mehvish Reyaz from Class 8, Govt High School Akhran, Kulgam, and Shaida Bano from Boys Middle School, Sheeri Payeen, Baramulla, have been selected for this elite program.

The students' nomination is a result of their remarkable achievement as they emerged among the top 60 candidates nationwide by securing their place through various innovative projects in the prestigious National Level Exhibition and Project Competition (SLEPC).

Following their nomination, the students will embark on an exciting journey to Japan. The Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, will sponsor their expenses up to Delhi, while in Japan, the Japan Science Department (JSD) will take care of all their financial requirements.

The Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Programme in Science, conducted under the SAKURA Exchange Programme in Science, is a collaborative effort between Japan and various Asian countries.

The program promotes international

cooperation and cultural exchange in the field of science and technology. It offers young minds from different nations a unique chance to interact, collaborate, and learn from each other's scientific advancements, fostering mutual understanding and building bonds of friendship.

Jubilant over the development, Prof Parikhat Singh Manhas, Director of State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Jammu and Kashmir, emphasized the significance of increasing nominations for the INSPIRE-Awards MANAK 2023–24, compared to previous years.

"Encouraging a larger participation in the INSPIRE programme will ultimately foster scientific temperament, creativity, and entrepreneurial skills in the next generation," reiterated Prof Manhas.

The scheme, Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE), is one of the flagship programs of the Department of Science & Technology (DST), Government of India that aims to motivate students in the age group of 10-15

years and studying in classes 6 to 10.

According to the Inspire website, the program's goal is to target one million unique discoveries or ideas with scientific roots and societal applications in order to promote a climate of creativity and original thought among schoolchildren.

Under this scheme, schools—both government and private—can nominate 5 best original ideas/innovations of students through the official INSPIRE website.

"The nomination of these Kashmiri students for the Japan-Asia Youth Exchange Programme in Science highlights the immense talent and potential that exists in Jammu and Kashmir," Nodal Officer of Inspire Manak, Kashmir Province, Dr Sajad Ahmad Mir, said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The mother's name of my daughter namely Aminah Sami has been wrongly written in school records as HUZAIFA SAMI while her correct name is HUZAIFA which needs to be corrected. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection in the office of the principal Mallinson Girls School within a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notice. After that no objection shall be entertained.

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TENDER NOTICE

E-NIT No: 45 /EEP/RNB/of 2023-24/3340-50

Dated: 06 / 06/2023

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT term e-tenders (In Single Cover system) are invited on %age Basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K State Govt. CPWD, Railways and other State/ Central Government for the following work :-

S. No	Name of Work	Adv. Cost (Rs. Lacs.)	Cost of T/D (Rs.)	Earnest Money (In %age.)	Time of Completion in Working Days	Class of Contract	Major Head of Accounts	Administrative Accord Approval No:	Call No:
1.	Repair/ renovation of washrooms at Adm. complex Pulwama. (Civil part A only)	6.11	300/-	2% of Adv. cost	20 working Days	DEE,CEE	District capex (Untied)	22 DDCP of 2023 dated 27.05.2023	1st call

The Bidding documents consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen/downloaded from the departmental website www.jktenders.gov.in as per schedule of date given below:-

1. Date of Issue of Tender Notice	06 -06 -2023
2. Bid downloading Start Date	06 -06 -2023 from 10:00 A.M
3. Bid submission Start Date	06 -06 -2023 from 10:00 A.M
4. Bid Submission End Date	13- 06-2023 upto 0 4:00 P.M
5. Date & time of opening of Bids (Online)	14-06-2023 at 10:30 A.M in the Office of the Executive Engineer R&B Div.Pulwama
6. Submission of Performance Security (PS)	Within three (03) days of receipt of LOA. (The First lowest successful bidder has to provide 5% of allotted cost as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG and EMD of 2% shall be released after receipt of 5% Performance security.

- Bids must be accompanied with cost of Tender document in the shape of Treasury Challan / Receipt as per Annexure -C (Debited to M.H.0059 PWD) and EMD in the shape of CDR/FDR/BG pledged to the Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama (The Date of Treasury Challan and EMD should be between the date of start of bid and Bid Submission End date.
- The date and time of opening of Bids shall be notified on Web site www.jktenders.gov.in and conveyed to the bidders automatically through an e-mail message on their e-mail address. The bids of responsive bidders shall be opened online on same Web Site in the office of Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama
- The bids for the work shall remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of opening of bids.
- EMD in the shape of CDR/ FDR/ BG in favour of the Executive Engineer R&B Div. Pulwama
- The normal deposits (deducted @ 10% from running bills) shall be released after the DLP of the work is over.
- The Contractors are advised to visit the site and to be aware of the conditions for launching at site of work before quoting the rates.
- The contractor shall also be responsible for any theft/ damage to any of the component at site and the cost of damage/ theft if any shall be deducted from the work done or CDR of the Contractor till completion of work and handing over.
- The 1st lowest bidder has to produce an amount equal to 5% of contract as Performance Security in the shape of CDR/ FDR/ BG in favour of Executive Engineer R&B Division Pulwama within three (03) days after the date of receipt of letter of acceptance and shall be released after successful completion of DLP. The Bank Guarantee should be valid for 45 days beyond DLP.

Head Draftsman
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Technical Officer

Executive Engineer
R&B Division Pulwama

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Drug Problem

Growing drug addiction among youth has emerged as a major problem in Kashmir in recent years. And despite efforts by the administrations, the situation has only gotten worse. One of the key contributors to the escalating drug crisis in the union territory is the scarcity of employment opportunities. The lack of viable jobs leaves many individuals vulnerable to substance abuse as they struggle to find purpose and financial stability. The ensuing frustration and despair create fertile ground for addiction to take hold. The region's troubled history and the consequent mental health challenges faced by its residents exacerbate the situation. Living in an environment rife with violence and unrest further increases the risk of turning to drugs as a coping mechanism.

More than 5,000 cases have been registered under anti-narcotics laws between 2019 and 2022. Authorities have also utilized stringent legislation, such as the Public Safety Act, which allows prolonged detention without trial, to target drug offenders. On Monday, police seized the property of a drug peddler at Bandipora. While such measures are important in curbing the drug trade, it is equally crucial to address the underlying factors that contribute to addiction. A comprehensive approach combining law enforcement, rehabilitation programs, and socioeconomic initiatives is essential for long-term success.

With nearly a million people, or roughly 8 percent of the region's population, reportedly using drugs, including cannabis, opioids, and sedatives, the situation has reached alarming levels. Experts attribute this surge to various factors, such as job shortages and the mental health repercussions of living in a conflict zone. While the reported numbers are already staggering, it is crucial to acknowledge that the actual scale of drug addiction in the Valley may be far higher. The prevailing stigma surrounding substance abuse often deters individuals from admitting their addiction or seeking help. This underreporting hampers accurate data collection and prevents adequate resource allocation for combating the crisis.

Increasing investments in job creation and skill development programs will offer a sense of purpose and economic stability to the population. By addressing the root causes of addiction, individuals are less likely to turn to drugs as an escape. Simultaneously, bolstering mental health services and providing accessible support systems will help individuals cope with trauma and reduce their susceptibility to substance abuse. The sharp increase in the number of patients seeking treatment for drug addiction, from 10-15 cases a day a decade ago to 150-200 cases a day now, underlines the urgent need for action.

OTHER OPINION

Forgotten but Not Gone

But the silence is also, perhaps, a reflection of the pandemic's enduring impact. It dominated our lives for so long that for many the instinctive reaction is to try to put it from their minds. For those who lost a loved one, or battled to save lives in ICUs, the subject may be too traumatic to revisit. Some may feel embarrassed to discuss the lingering effects of unemployment, loneliness, or concerns about elderly parents or stressed children, when for others life was even worse. The cost of living crisis, the war in Ukraine and the growing impact of the climate emergency have brought new worries.

To others, this silence can seem uncanny, even incomprehensible. Some are living with the pandemic's consequences in the most literal sense: on one estimate, 65 million people worldwide have experienced long Covid, though most have recovered. For those who are clinically vulnerable, the abandonment of precautions and lack of discussion of risks may make them feel less safe.

Health systems are struggling to recover. Tens of millions of children have missed routine vaccinations. And economic consequences have played out around the world – bearing out a 2020 IMF analysis which found that social unrest often arrives around a year after pandemics, because of lower economic growth and increased inequality. A World Bank report released this spring warned of the decades-long consequences of reduced human capital. In Bangladesh, for example, toddlers tested on their cognitive and social-emotional development in 2022 lagged far behind those tested pre-pandemic – a decline that the report suggests could translate into a 25% reduction in earnings as adults. The impacts were markedly worse for children from poorer backgrounds. A global literacy survey has shown widespread significant declines in reading levels.

Amid the immense costs, there are perhaps some small gains. While mothers took on a disproportionate share of household labour in the pandemic, there are some signs that it may have encouraged a long-term shift towards greater paternal involvement in caregiving in the UK. Remote working has been a true boon to some employees.

Talking about what went right and wrong matters not only in trying to fix some of the ongoing damage from this pandemic, but also in preparing for the next one. It might allow us to better protect health workers or safeguard vulnerable children, minimise disruption to schooling or find better ways to ensure elderly people don't lose essential social ties. Covid is still costing us. We should at least heed its lessons.

The Guardian

Russia, China take holistic view
of the Pamirs and Hindu Kush

M. K. BHADRAKUMAR

The Xi'an Declaration, issued after the First China-Central Asia Summit at Xi'an on May 18-19, takes a direct hit at the West's interference in the region, scattering the notion in Washington and Brussels that Russia and China's dominance on the Central Asian steppe is not sustainable as Russia is "overstretched" in the Ukraine conflict.

As events turned out, Russia has not only not been "defeated" in Ukraine but turned the table around in the proxy war. The US is now pleading with Europeans that Moscow should not be allowed to garner victory in the battlefields. What a fallback position!

To be sure, China's decision in the context of the Ukraine crisis to assume a leadership role in Central Asia as provider of security is a paradigm shift that profoundly undercuts the very essence of the US' Indo-Pacific strategy to isolate and contain China. Look at the map to comprehend why the West's talk of encirclement of Russia and China will remain a pipe dream so long as Inner Asia remains out of bounds.

The US is working like a spider to create a web of states in southeast Asia to split and atomise the ASEAN and repeat the "regime change" in Thailand all across the Greater Mekong Region. In such a volatile setting aimed at surrounding China with a ring of unstable states, Central Asia assumes critical importance for both Russian and Chinese strategies as a region that is beyond the reach of US influence.

The relevant paragraph of the Xi'an Declaration says: "The parties are unanimous that ensuring state security, political stability and constitutional order is of key importance, and resolutely oppose attempts to discredit legitimate state power and provoke 'colour revolutions', as well as interference in the internal affairs of other countries in any of its forms and under any pretext. The Parties emphasise that democracy is the common aspiration and value of humanity. The independent choice of the development path and management model concerns the sovereignty of each country and is not subject to intervention."

It must be noted carefully that within a week of the Xi'an Summit, Russia received a top security official from Beijing who came on an unprecedented week-long visit to Moscow for consultations — Chen Wenqing, Member of the Political Bureau and secretary of the Commission for Political and Legal Affairs of the CPC Central Committee, who is the counterpart of Nikolay Patrushev, head of Russia's Security Council, the highest ranking security official in the Kremlin.

Receiving Chen and his delegation in Moscow, Patrushev said:



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"Expanding and deepening relations with friendly China are Russia's strategic course. Our country prioritises the development of mutually beneficial cooperation with People's Republic of China in all areas, provision of mutual assistance and boosting coordination in the foreign arena for ensuring security, stability, sustainable development at the global and regional levels both in Eurasia and other parts of the world."

In concluding remarks at the end of Chen's visit to Moscow, Patrushev noted: "Not only Russia is one of the centres of the multipolar world. So is China. They (Western countries) think they can cope with Russia and as soon as they have done that, they hope, their next target will be China. They find it difficult to deal with both in parallel. What they have been doing now on the border of China, with Taiwan, we also know well enough. In general, it is difficult to disagree with their (Chinese side's) position."

Clearly, the Russia-China security talks in Moscow at the highest level are expected to give the necessary underpinnings to the joint efforts to forge regional security and stability in their common space, against the backdrop of the growing security risks they jointly face in Eurasia and the return of terrorism in Central Asia. This strategic congruence is already evident in the close similarity in the Russian and Chinese approaches to the stabilisation of Afghanistan, which is already having a positive impact despite all incipient western attempts since the Taliban takeover to keep the Hindu Kush in a state of

turmoil and civil war.

The Chinese State Councilor and Foreign Minister Qin Gang who attended the Pakistan-Afghanistan-China trilateral meeting in Islamabad on May 5 left three messages to his Pakistani hosts — China is ready to help Pakistan revive its economy; Beijing is also ready to work with Pakistan to advance high-quality Belt and Road cooperation, accelerate the development of the CPEC, and deepen cooperation; and, above all, China is ready to work with Pakistan to "strengthen communication and coordination on the Afghan issue, promote peace and reconstruction in Afghanistan, and help maintain regional stability and development."

Importantly, Qin Gang called for the extension of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor to Afghanistan so as to "increase good-neighbourliness and mutual trust among the three countries in the spirit of mutual respect, candidness and friendship, mutual benefit and win-win results." Qin Gang conveyed to his Pakistani and Afghan counterparts that China is ready to strengthen counter-terrorism and security cooperation and "join efforts to firmly combat terrorist forces including the East Turkestan Islamic Movement and Tehrik-i-Taliban Pakistan, so as to defend regional security and stability."

Interestingly, Qin Gang assured Acting Foreign Minister of the Afghan Interim Government Amir Khan Muttaqi at a bilateral meeting that Beijing intends to "deepen China-Afghanistan cooperation in various fields, and help

Afghanistan realise self-reliance, peace, stability, development and prosperity at an early date."

A leading Chinese regional expert Zhu Yongbiao, director of the Centre for Afghanistan Studies at Lanzhou University, told the Global Times that "Over the past few years, Pakistan and Afghanistan had severe conflicts and disputes over the borderlines, and the trilateral meeting itself was a rare opportunity to promote peace and talks."

Zhu said Kabul and Islamabad have differences on the recognition of terrorism, "especially under external interference when countries like the US and India hold double standards in the matter", therefore, China has released a signal that could be seen as "a step forward in coordinating the stances of Pakistan and Afghanistan."

Besides, the Chinese expert noted that both Afghanistan and Pakistan being neighbours of China and sharing good political relations with China, are also aware of China's role in not only mediating between Saudi Arabia and Iran but also on the Ukraine crisis, so both would have expectations for China, and the trilateral meeting in Islamabad "signalled their enhanced confidence in China's diplomatic role."

Evidently, just short of according formal recognition of the Taliban government, Moscow and Beijing have stepped up their dealings with Kabul. This increases the comfort level in the Central Asian capitals. Russia, Central Asian states and China share an existential threat perception from terrorism and religious extremism, which is a time-tested element in the US toolbox. Thus, there is an understanding amongst them to deny the US any basing facilities in the region or to allow the "Afghan Resistance" of Panjshiris to use Central Asia as sanctuary to fuel another civil war.

China and Russia have contributed significantly to the stabilisation of the Taliban rule in Afghanistan. Basically, they appreciate that the Taliban rulers, under extremely difficult conditions have nonetheless acquitted themselves relatively well. This is also the perception in the Central Asian capitals.

Therefore, from a regional perspective, the extension of the CPEC to Afghanistan and its inevitable integration with Central Asia's intensifying BRI project is to be viewed as the most tangible spin-off from the China-Central Asia format. These processes will strengthen the SCO — and, hopefully, would also bring India on board at some point.

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Education for Gender Equality

EDUCATION is the only most powerful weapon which can change the worldly life of all genders. It will mediate to change all the aspects of human life such as economic, social, political, intellectual, emotional, irrespective of their Gender.

Gender inequality originates from the social attitude which favours men over the rest genders i.e. women & trans-genders. As a result, men enjoy more power, status & financial provisions than the rest genders within the society.

Gender inequality is a universal social evil, mostly prevailing in all undeveloped and underdeveloped countries. Recently, the National Commission for Women(NCW) in its report mentioned that about 25 thousand crimes against women last year

in multiple forms and shapes. It is a grave concern for India which is lingering for its development. This fact reveals a close relation between gender inequality & economic inequality. These both issues can be smoothly redressed by eradicating the disparity in education between the genders.

Here, education can play a vital role in eradicating the menace of gender inequality. It can balance the existing social gap between all the genders, especially among men & women.

Education proves to be a great medium for women upliftment, as it mainly enhances their intellectual & emotional status. Today, women are more prone to socio – psychological problems, which they can address and balance through their intellectual & emotional strength obtained

from the means of education.

There are government & non-governmental findings which reveal a very intimate & a multi-layered relationship between education & women empowerment. Economically, education helps women to be independent, which in turn helps them to take part in decision making at all levels , especially within their own families. It all results in substantial raise of their social status. Politically analysing it, education makes them manifestly and latently conscious about their political milieu which leads to their increment in political participation. By empowering them socially, politically & economically, education plays an important role in their overall well-being . In addition to it, education has innumerable spillover effects on gender equality.

Looking it through the prism of theology, no religion in my view bars women from attaining any form of knowledge. Personally, I deem it proper to cite here my beloved Prophet Muhammad (SAW): "Education (or attaining effective knowledge) is an essential obligation on every Muslim irrespective of their Gender."

To conclude, I would like to mention an age old dictum, "By educating a man, we are educating an individual. But, by educating women we are educating generations". Therefore, we can conclude from the above discussion that education plays a wide role in narrowing the scope for gender inequality.

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False Spring

The Troubled Journey of Crops in Jammu and Kashmir's Weather Vagaries

Faizan Arif Keng

March arrived in Jammu and Kashmir, bringing warmth and optimism to the farmers who anticipated a bountiful crop this year. However, their hopes were quickly dashed as the weather patterns dramatically shifted, persisting for an extended period, for what felt like forever. Hailstorms, cloudbursts, thundershowers, and gusty winds became the daily norm. It was like the Union Territory took a crash course in becoming the new Mawsynram. Sunny weather became a rarity, with residents struggling to recall the last time they witnessed clear skies.

March came knocking with the arrival of 6 Western Disturbances in Jammu and Kashmir. But here's the twist: only a couple of them brought the much-needed rain and snowfall, leaving the rest feeling like mere passing clouds.

As April rolled in, the region experienced the arrival of 3 strong Western Disturbances. These weather systems made their presence felt, remaining active for an impressive span of 4 to 7 days each.

But it was May that really stole the show, bringing a whopping 8 Western Disturbances to Jammu and Kashmir. This was the highest number of disturbances witnessed during the Spring season this year. The month witnessed frequent spells of rain and thunderstorm.

From Dry Spell to Deluge Jammu and Kashmir's Rainfall Rollercoaster

The initial 45 days of Spring were marked by dry conditions, with fewer impactful Western Disturbances. Typically, March is the month when Kashmir receives the highest amount of rainfall in the year. However, this time around, the precipitation fell short by a significant 48%, resulting in a notable deficiency.

The first half of April also witnessed below-normal rainfall, and the deficiency continued to rise. However, the situation took a dramatic turn when active Western Disturbances began affecting the Union Territory. As a result, April concluded with a 14% surplus in rainfall, surpassing the expected levels.

Moving into May, the region experienced thundershowers consistently throughout the month, thanks to the frequent arrival of active Western Disturbances. This continuous influx resulted in an impressive 24% surplus in rainfall by the end of the period.

When considering the complete picture, Jammu and Kashmir witnessed a 13% deficit, totaling 288.7 mm of rainfall compared to the average of 330.0 mm.

Samba stood out as the best performer during the entire Spring season, experiencing an impressive 44% excess rainfall, while Rajouri and Poonch followed closely with 34% and 21% excess rainfall, respectively.

Kishtwar district faced the most severe rainfall deficit during the Spring season, with a staggering 60% shortfall, followed by Kathua with 39%, Budgam with 29%, Shopian with 28%, and Kupwara with 24% deficit rainfall.

Srinagar had a minor -1% deficit, while Jammu experienced a slightly larger -3% shortfall. Anantnag had a small 2% surplus, whereas Bandipora and Kulgam faced deficits of -6%. Baramulla and Pulwama observed a positive deviation with 3% excess rainfall, whereas Ganderbal had a notable -12% deficit. Doda, Reasi, Ramban, and Udhampur displayed varying degrees of surplus rainfall, with percentages of 18%, 6%, 2%, and 1% respectively.

Spring's Sunlight Squeeze Chilling Temperatures and Crop Setbacks in Jammu and Kashmir



During the final 45 days of Spring, Jammu and Kashmir experienced the impact of 10 Western Disturbances. Throughout this period, there were over 35 days characterized by partly cloudy to completely cloudy conditions, which caused the day temperatures to stay below normal.

There were occasions when temperatures plummeted as much as 16°C below the normal range. On the final day of Spring, May 31st, Srinagar registered a maximum temperature of only 15.3°C, marking a significant deviation of 11 degrees Celsius below the average. Similarly, Jammu City recorded a temperature of 23.5°C on the same day, which was 15.9°C below normal.

These temperature readings were comparable to the weather typically seen in February, highlighting the unseasonable and cold conditions experienced during this period.

Furthermore, the last 45 days of the spring season were accompanied by hailstorms, gusty winds, intense showers, and cloudbursts. Some areas were hit by more than three hailstorm events, causing extensive damage to the horticulture and agriculture sectors. Crops and fruits were severely affected, while the paddy sowing activities faced significant setbacks due to these weather events.

After an early bloom in the first half of the season, the abrupt return of winter-like conditions had a detrimental impact on the vegetation. Furthermore, the reduction in sunlight hours during this period likely exacerbated the negative effects, add-



ing to the challenges faced by the farmers and contributing to the overall loss experienced.

Reduction in sunlight hours can have several negative impacts on crops and fruits. Here are some of the main effects:

- Reduced photosynthesis:** Sunlight is essential for photosynthesis, the process by which plants convert light energy into chemical energy to fuel their growth and development. A reduction in sunlight hours limits the amount of energy plants can produce, leading to slower growth rates and reduced yields. This can directly impact crop productivity and the quality of fruits.
- Stunted growth:** Insufficient sunlight can lead to stunted growth in plants. Sunlight provides the energy needed for various physiological processes, including cell division and expansion. Without an adequate amount of sunlight, plants may experience slower growth and smaller overall size. This can result in reduced crop yields and smaller-sized fruits.
- Delayed maturity:** Sunlight plays a crucial role in regulating the flowering and fruiting processes in many crops. A reduction in sunlight hours can delay the onset of flowering and the maturation of fruits. As a result, the harvest may be delayed, affecting the timing of market availability and potentially reducing the overall yield.
- Poor fruit quality:** Sunlight influences the development of color, taste, and nutritional content in fruits. Fruits that receive an insufficient amount of sunlight may exhibit poor coloration, reduced sugar content, and altered flavor profiles. For example, tomatoes may have a less vibrant red color and taste less sweet. This can negatively impact consumer acceptance and market value.
- Increased susceptibility to diseases and pests:** Sunlight plays a role in plant defense mechanisms by promoting the production of certain chemicals that can help plants resist diseases and pests. Reduced sunlight weakens the plant's immune system, making it more susceptible to infections and infestations. Crop yield and fruit quality can be further compromised by the increased incidence of diseases and pests.
- Altered plant metabolism:** Sunlight influences various metabolic processes in plants, including the synthesis of important compounds such as starches, sugars, and phytochemicals. A reduction in sunlight can disrupt these metabolic pathways, affecting the nutritional composition and overall quality of crops and fruits. This can impact their taste, texture, and nutritional value.

Spring's Growing Challenge Examining the Effects of Weather on Crop Performance from Scientific Studies

As per 'Climate changes and potential impacts on postharvest quality of fruit and vegetable crops: A review', by C.L. Moretti, L.M. Mattos, A.G. Calbo, S.A. Sargent, published in August 2010 in the 'Food Research International' journal, "A general temperature effect in plants involves the ratio between photosynthesis and respiration. For a high yield, not only photosynthesis should be high but also the ratio photosynthesis/respiration should be much higher than one."

"Photosynthetic activity is proportional to temperature variations. High temperatures can increase the rate of biochemical reactions catalyzed by different enzymes."

"The higher the temperature during the growing season, the sooner the crop will mature. Hall, McPherson, Crawford, and Seager (1996) and Wurr, Fellows, and Phelps (1996) reported that lettuce, celery, cauliflower, and kiwi grown under higher temperatures matured earlier than the same crops grown under lower temperatures."

According to a study conducted by Kliever and Lider in 1968, prolonged exposure to sunlight resulting in high temperatures on the surface of fruits can accelerate the ripening process and related events. This phenomenon was observed in grapes, where berries exposed to direct sunlight ripened at a faster rate compared to those that ripened in shaded areas within the canopy.

The research paper titled 'Vulnerability of specialty crops to short-term climatic variability and adaptation strategies in the Midwestern USA' by Erica Kistner, Olivia Kellner, Jeffrey Andresen, Dennis Today, and Lois Wright Morton, published on 22 September 2017 in the journal 'Climatic Change,' provides real examples illustrating the detrimental effects of abnormal weather conditions in spring on crops and fruits.

"Extreme temperature fluctuations during the spring can have enormous impacts on specialty crops. Cold temperatures infiltrated the Midwest specialty crop growing region during the springs of 2007 and 2012, severely damaging crops each year. Each event was preceded by an extended period of warmer-than-normal temperatures that caused perennial crops to break dormancy and begin growing earlier than normal. Identified as a "false spring" (Marino et al. 2011), the week prior to April 5-7, 2007, saw daily minimum temperatures in excess of 15 °C in central Missouri. This was followed by a shift in the jet stream that moved arctic air into the Central and Eastern USA for about a week. During the event, temperatures plummeted to as cold as -7 °C resulting in agricultural losses of about \$2 billion (Marino et al. 2011)."

"If crop water demand exceeds the available water supply, crop damage can result. This is most important during pollination and fruit-set time for most vegetable crops (Chatterjee and Solankey 2015)."

"Excess moisture was the costliest to specialty crops in the Midwest states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Missouri from 1989 to 2015, according to USDA-RMA. It ranks second most costly in the states of Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio. It is Minnesota's most commonly claimed specialty crop hazard. Overall, Midwestern producers have claimed over \$130 million in losses due to excess moisture, precipitation, or rain alone. The three worst years were 1999, 1993, and 2001, respectively (adjusted to 2015 dollars). Two federal disaster declarations were made that year for Minnesota due to severe ice storms, flooding, and heavy rain (FEMA 2016). During the 9 years prior to 2013, southern Minnesota experienced three 1000-year flood events (Durgan 2013). In 2015, central Illinois (which produces 90% of the country's canned pumpkin) received 58.9 cm of rain from May to July (nearly double the average). The excess moisture greatly reduced the pumpkin harvest, leading to a shortage of canned pumpkins in 2015 (Angel 2015)."

The Bitter Harvest
Devastating Toll on Jammu and Kashmir's Crops and Growers Amidst Unpredictable Weather

Apples



According to apple growers, similar to previous years, there was a noticeable increase in temperatures during March, resulting in the early sprouting of apple trees. However, the situation took a turn in April when the temperature suddenly plummeted due to incessant rainfall. This abrupt drop in temperature had an adverse effect on the blossoming stage of apple trees.

As per Sajad Ahmad Nanwai, an apple grower from Marhma village in south Kashmir's Anantnag district, the disruption of the planned spraying schedule for apple orchards due to unseasonal rains results in increased susceptibility of the crop to diseases like scab and other ailments at an early stage of development. The occurrence of rains and hailstorms is likely to have a negative impact on the crop, which becomes more evident during the harvest season.

In a conversation with The Quint, Dr. Tariq Rasool, an associate professor in the division of plant pathology at Sher-i-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST), highlighted the impact of incessant rains on apple orchards. He explained that frequent wet spells during the blossoming stage can trigger infections and scabs in apple orchards. The increased rainfall not only enhances the occurrence of scabs but also adversely affects the growth and size of the apple crop.

Dr. Tariq Rasool added that the erratic weather patterns severely disrupt the scheduled pesticide spraying in apple orchards. The continuous rainfall not only hampers the timely application of vital pesticides but also washes away the fungicide spray intended for apple trees. He highlighted that apple growers in Kashmir allocate a significant amount, approximately Rs. 700-800 crores, for pesticide sprays annually. However, frequent rains pose challenges, preventing them from carrying out timely sprays in their orchards, thereby impacting the efficacy of pest control efforts.

GR Mir, the Director of Horticulture in Kashmir, highlighted the adverse effects of increased precipitation during the bloom stage on cross-pollination in the apple fruit crop. He expressed concern over the potential decrease in production

during the upcoming harvesting season due to consistent wet spells and low temperatures experienced over the past three months. Mir explained that bees do not engage in pollination during rainy periods, leading to a decline in fruit production. He further noted that the combination of low temperatures and rainfall, starting from mid-March and persisting intermittently until mid-May, has negatively impacted the "fruit set" phase of apples. This critical stage represents the transition from flower pollination to fruit development in plants.

Paddy

The continuous rainfall and low temperatures in Kashmir have had a negative impact on the growth of paddy nurseries, leading to a delay in their development. Consequently, farmers were forced to re-sow paddy crops. The farmers expressed uncertainty about the success of the initially sown paddy in nurseries, considering the adverse effects of persistent rains, hailstorms, and low temperatures. They also noted the damage caused to paddy seedlings due to erratic weather conditions, resulting in weakened growth. This resulted in financial losses for farmers during the sowing season, and there were growing concerns about the potential failure of the crop due to the ongoing unfavorable weather conditions.

Cherry



According to cherry grower Shakir Ahmad, a resident of Pargochi Shopian, the frequent rains have caused significant damage to the cherry crop. Approximately 40% of the cherries have been damaged on the trees themselves, with some being affected even before they had a chance to ripen. Additionally, after the rains, the exposed cherries have been susceptible to breakage when exposed to sunlight.

The impact of the rains has varied across different cherry varieties, with some suffering more than others. The cherry season has been notably delayed this year, unlike the previous year when there was a good production in May. Normally, cherries take about 15 days to ripen, but the rain spells have hindered their proper coloring and delayed the ripening process.

Fortunately, certain cherry varieties are more resilient to the effects of rain and are primarily used for juice production, minimizing the overall impact. However, the continuous rain spells have become a significant challenge for cherry production.

Diseases

According to Nazir Ahmad, a farmer, they are facing challenges with insects and scabs affecting their crops. Despite using insecticides, they have not seen any noticeable effect. Moreover, the cost of these insecticides is quite high. Additionally, the farmers are experiencing allergies after spraying the insecticides, making it difficult for them to visit their horticultural land.

Bilal Ahmad, a farmer, expressed his frustration, stating, "Despite spraying insecticides, we have seen no improvement in controlling diseases affecting our crops. Even the insecticides recommended by the government have proven ineffective this time. It seems like we are dealing with a new type of disease."

As per Zamindar, a news portal covering agriculture, horticulture, environment, and wildlife, Leaf Miner blotch is giving sleepless nights to the thousands of orchardists in south Kashmir's district Shopian and Pulwama districts. This insect is making tunnels in the leaves and sucking all the nutrients from the trees. The horticulture department has miserably failed to contain this pest despite recommending Imidacloprid, Thiamethoxam, Lambda Cyhalothrin, Chloropyrifos, Cypermethrin, and Quinalphos which are highly lethal insecticides.

The farmers are anxiously awaiting the outcome of this year's yield, as they find themselves in a state of distress. Current forecasts indicate a potential increase in the number of sunlight hours, which brings some hope. However, the next 10 days are expected to be accompanied by intermittent episodes of thunder showers. This unpredictable weather pattern poses a significant challenge for the farmers, as they strive to navigate through the growing season and maximize their crop productivity. The uncertain combination of increased sunlight and sporadic rainfall adds to the complexity of their agricultural endeavors, heightening the need for adaptive strategies and resilience in the face of these ever-changing conditions.

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In continuation to this office notification dated: 03-06-2022, the flight schedule for 9th & 10th June, 2023 is hereby published for information of the concerned Haj pilgrims.

Reporting time of pilgrims at Haj House Srinagar as per their respective flights is notified as under:

Sno.	Flight No.	Date of Departure	Reporting time at Haj House
1	SG-5709	09-06-2023	9:00 AM
2	SG-5809	09-06-2023	11:30 AM
3	SG-5710	10-06-2023	09:15 AM
4	SG-5810	10-06-2023	03:15 PM

The pilgrims are advised to report on time at Haj House, Bernal Srinagar. It may be noted that only standard baggage without any banned item shall be accepted as check-in-luggage by the Airlines at Haj House Srinagar.

The flight schedule for remaining pilgrims shall be notified separately.

Note: Flight allotment is provisional and subject to Visa endorsement.

Haj Officer

J&K Haj Committee.
Dated: 26.06.2022

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FLIGHT ALLOTMENT FOR HAJ 1444 (H) - 2023

Sno.	Cover No.	Name of Pilgrim (s)	Flight Date	Flight No.
1	JKF-587-4-0	IRSHAD AHMAD	09-06-2023	SG-5709
2	JKF-587-4-0	BASRI	09-06-2023	SG-5709
3	JKF-587-4-0	IALAL	09-06-2023	SG-5709
4	JKF-587-4-0	TASLEEMA BEGUM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
5	JKF-589-3-0	MOHD DIN	09-06-2023	SG-5709
6	JKF-589-3-0	MOHD RAMZAN	09-06-2023	SG-5709
7	JKF-589-3-0	SHAHNAWAZ	09-06-2023	SG-5709
8	JKF-614-4-0	FARIDA BEGUM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
9	JKF-614-4-0	GHULAM ALI	09-06-2023	SG-5709
10	JKF-614-4-0	REHANA AKHTER	09-06-2023	SG-5709
11	JKF-614-4-0	GHULAM AKHTER	09-06-2023	SG-5709
12	JKR-638-3-0	ABDUL RASHID	09-06-2023	SG-5709
13	JKR-638-3-0	HABIB SHAH	09-06-2023	SG-5709
14	JKR-638-3-0	SALIMA BEGUM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
15	JKF-644-4-0	RAFIA KOUSAR	09-06-2023	SG-5709
16	JKF-644-4-0	MARYA BANO	09-06-2023	SG-5709
17	JKF-644-4-0	RUBINA	09-06-2023	SG-5709
18	JKF-644-4-0	RASHID MANSOOR	09-06-2023	SG-5709
19	JKF-645-1-0	GHULAM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
20	JKR-648-2-0	FARIDA BEGUM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
21	JKR-648-2-0	GHULAM AHMAD KAMAL	09-06-2023	SG-5709
22	JKF-650-1-0	MOHD SHAFI	09-06-2023	SG-5709
23	JKF-652-2-0	GHULAM NABI	09-06-2023	SG-5709
24	JKR-652-2-0	GHULAM HUSSAIN	09-06-2023	SG-5709
25	JKF-654-2-0	RAFOQ BEGUM	09-06-2023	SG-5709
26	JKF-913-2-0	MOHD AZAD	09-06-2023	SG-5709
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49	LAF-33-3-0	HUSSAIN MOHD	09-06-2023	SG-5709
50	LAF-33-3-0	MOHD ASHRAF	09-06-2023	SG-5709
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52	LAF-36-2-0	MOHAMMAD HASSAN	09-06-2023	SG-5709
53	LAF-36-2-0	MOHMAD ALI	09-06-2023	SG-5709
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56	LAF-40-2-0	SAKINA BANO	09-06-2023	SG-5709
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58	LAF-41-4-0	AHMED HUSSAIN	09-06-2023	SG-5709
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Close Contact Between Mother And Premature Baby May Boost Infant's Survival'

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A method of care involving skin-to-skin contact between a mother and her prematurely born baby may improve the child's chances of survival significantly, according to a review of studies conducted in India.

The research, published in the BMJ Global Health journal, found that starting the intervention within 24 hours of birth and carrying it out for at least eight hours a day both appear to make the approach even more effective in reducing mortality and infection.

The method of care known as "kangaroo mother care" (KMC) involves an infant being carried, usually by the mother, in a sling with skin-to-skin contact and many studies already carried out have shown this is a way of reducing mortality and the risk of infection for the child, they said.

The World Health Organization recommends it as the standard of care among low birth weight infants after clinical stabilisation. However, less is known about the ideal time at which to begin the intervention.

The researchers at Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry and All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, reviewed numerous large multi-country and community-based randomised trials on the subject.

They compared KMC with conventional care, starting the approach early (within 24 hours of the birth) with later initiation of KMC



to see what effect this had on neonatal and infant mortality and severe illness among low birth weight and preterm infants.

The review looked at 31 trials that included 15,559 infants collectively and of these, 27 studies compared KMC with conventional care, while four compared early with late initiation of KMC.

Analysis of the results showed that compared with conventional care, KMC appeared to reduce the risk of mortality by 32 per cent during birth hospitalisation or by 28 days after birth, while it seemed to reduce the risk of severe infection, such as sepsis, by 15 per cent, the researchers said.

It also emerged that the reduction in mortality was noted regardless of gestational age or weight of the child at enrollment, time of initiation, and place of initiation of KMC (hospital or community), they said.

The study found that the mortality benefits were greater when

the daily duration of KMC was at least eight hours per day than with shorter duration KMC.

Studies that had compared early with late-initiated KMC demonstrated a reduction in neonatal mortality of 33 per cent and a probable decreased risk of 15 per cent in clinical sepsis until 28 days following early initiation of KMC.

The researchers acknowledged some limitations in that the studies looked at involved an intervention that was known about by participants so that it could be seen as biased, and very low birth weight, extremely preterm neonates, and severely unstable neonates were often excluded from studies.

However, the review authors said that the risk of bias in the included studies was generally low, and because their review had included a comprehensive and systematic search of existing studies, the certainty of the evidence for the primary outcomes was moderate to high.

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35	JKF-146-2-0	KHALID AMIN	10-06-2023	SG-5810
36	JKF-160-2-0	ZAFFAR IQBAL	10-06-2023	SG-5810
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39	JKF-184-2-0	SHAHID SHAHID	10-06-2023	SG-5810
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76	JKF-389-2-0	ABDUL RAHIM	10-06-2023	SG-5810
77	JKF-389-2-0	HALEEMA AKHTER	10-06-2023	SG-5810

DC Kulgam Visits KP Colony Vessu Takes Stock Of Pace & Progress Of Residential Quarters

Observer News Service

Kulgam: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kulgam, Dr Bilal Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat on Wednesday visited Kashmiri Pandit/ PM Employee's colony Vessu and took a detailed stock of facilities and services available in the colony.

During the visit, the DC interacted with the inhabitants and enquired about the facilities and services available there and took a detailed stock of sanitation. The residing employees apprised the DC about various issues and raised several demands.

After giving a patient hearing to the issues and demands the DC assured early redressal

of the issues raised by them.

Acting on the demands of the inhabitants, the DC on spot instructed ACD to start work on the development of Yoga Park, establishment of open air gym and execution of other approved works in the colony.

Earlier, the DC took stock of pace and progress on construction of residential quarters which are under execution of JKPC.

The concerned informed the DC, that out of 13 towers, 08 are completed and work on 05 towers is at truss level.

The DC instructed the officers of the executing agency to speed up the pace of work and complete all towers by September 2023.

AMARNATH YATRA

DC Bandipora Reviews Arrangements At Shadipora Transit Camp

Observer News Service

Bandipora: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Bandipora, Dr. Owais Ahmed on Wednesday visited Yatra Transit Camp at Shadipora Sumbal to review the arrangements and other facilities for pilgrims of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra (SANJY)-2023.

Dr. Owais, on the occasion, inspected the upgraded facilities for the convenience of the stay of Yatris visiting for the pilgrimage.

It was informed that all

necessary arrangements, including facilities of drinking water and electricity, etc. at Yatra Transit Camp have been made in advance besides the deployment of sufficient staff at the camp.

Dr. Owais also inspected other completed works at the transit camp, including the langar facility, prefabricated huts, etc. and expressed satisfaction over the arrangements put in place. He stressed upon the concern for ensuring cleanliness, sanitation, hygiene, and medical facilities at transit camps round-the-clock.

Jaiswal Bridge Over Chenab On Jammu-Srinagar Highway Completed: Gadkari



Press Trust Of India

Jammu- A two-lane Jaiswal bridge over the Chenab river in Ramban district along the Jammu-Srinagar national highway has been completed, Union minister Nitin Gadkari said on Wednesday, reiterating his commitment to provide exceptional highway infrastructure in the Union Territory.

Earlier, the bridge missed two back-to-back deadlines between March and April but its completion came just a few weeks before the start of the two-month-long annual pilgrimage to 3,880-metre high holy cave shrine of Amarnath in south Kashmir Himalayas.

"In Jammu and Kashmir, we

have completed the construction of a two-lane Jaiswal Bridge over River Chenab on the Udhampur-Ramban section of NH-44. This meticulously designed Balanced Cantilever bridge spans 118 meters and has been built at a cost of Rs 20 Crore," Gadkari, the Road Transport and Highways minister, said in a tweet.

"The establishment of this bridge serves a dual purpose. Firstly, it will alleviate congestion along the Chanderkot to Ramban section, ensuring smoother vehicular movement. Secondly, it will facilitate the seamless passage of vehicles and pilgrim traffic during the 'Shri Amarnath Yatra' on the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway 44, which is scheduled

to commence shortly," he said.

Under the visionary leadership of Prime minister Narendra Modi, Gadkari said, the government is committed to provide Jammu and Kashmir with exceptional highway infrastructure.

"This transformative development not only contributes to the region's economic growth but also enhances its allure as a prime tourist destination," he said.

The Amarnath Yatra is scheduled to commence on July 1 from the twin tracks — traditional 48-km Nunwan-Pahalgam route in Anantnag district and 14-km shorter but steep Baltal route in Ganderbal district. The first batch of the pilgrims will leave the Jammu base camp for the Valley on June 30.

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Abandoned And Dejected

and other basic life facilities. The government has also set up a library for the senior citizens.

Ghulam Ahmad Sheikh, 70, has been living in his new home for the last two months. Sheikh, a resident of Bankoot, Bandipora had two daughters and a wife. However, his wife and younger daughter died at an early age. He then married his elder daughter in Gurez, some 80 kilometers away from his home.

Sheikh was left alone at home and many a times he would go to bed empty stomach. "Even though I knew how to cook, my age and health issues were making it difficult for me to live alone at home," said Sheikh.

It was in the early nineties when he met with an accident and doctors had to amputate the fingers of both his hands and feet. Things started getting worse for him and he moved to Gurez to live with his daughter but he couldn't save his body from extreme cold there because temperatures usually remained below freezing point.

But after moving into the old age home, Sheikh believes his life has improved.

"I can't even wear my socks or eat properly but thanks to the government, I am living a new life here," he added.

The facilities in all the districts of Kashmir have been set up by the Social Welfare Department under Atal Vayo Abhyudaya Yojna (AVYAY) scheme of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India.

Deputy Director, Social Welfare Department, Mohammad Ashraf Akhoon, told Kashmir Observer that almost all the homes in Kashmir have between one and ten old age citizens enrolled.

"Besides, a number of citizens come every day for daily care," Akhoon said.

He further added that even if the numbers are not too high, the department has made all the facilities for the elderly citizens and is ready to accommodate more people in future.

"This is the preparation in advance to meet any challenge. Each old age home has a capacity of accommodating around 50 individuals at a time," Akhoon said.

The government has provided every facility and the homes are manned with abundant staff including medical staff consisting of a trained doctor and a nurse.

"Doctors visit thrice a week and we have a nurse permanently stationed here," said Lateef Ahmad, in charge of the citizen's home at Bandipora.

Currently, over seven individuals are staying permanently in the home while over 20 people visit for day care.

Ghulam Mohammad Sheikh, an abandoned 73-year-old man from Manthrigam village of Bandipora says that the home has provided a "ray of hope" for him and an opportunity to live a dignified life. He had only one daughter who got married a decade ago. Later, his wife also died after a brief illness.

"Since I had no male child, there was

nobody to look after me. My daughter is married in another district," he said.

Last year in the month of December, he came to know that the district administration Bandipora has set up a home for the old age citizens. He says there was no option other than seeking the help of the government and living an honorable life.

"I rushed to the Deputy Commissioner office who referred me here. Since then I have been living here," he added.

The government has made the process simple to get registered in the home, all you need to do is submit an aadhar card and a form, he further said.

Notably, in 2022, a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) was filed by Jammu and Kashmir People's Forum before the High Court of J&K and Ladakh, seeking directions upon the administration to establish old age homes and daycare centers across JK.

Petitioners sought the establishment of maintenance of old age tribunals as per the mandate of the senior citizens act. Following the petition, the government established old age homes in all districts of Kashmir in 2023.

First Batch

the arrangements were in place for the pilgrims.

"We have tried to make the arrangements better this year," she said.

Baig said another batch of 115 women, who are going on the pilgrimage without "mahram" (male guardian) will leave for Haj on June 10.

"This is God's blessings that we are going for the pilgrimage. We will pray for Jammu and Kashmir," Abdul Khaliq, a pilgrim from Rainawari area of the city, told PTI video.

Firdous Bhat, a pilgrim from Chadoora area of central Kashmir's Budgam district, said, "I have never felt so much happiness as it is the ultimate goal of a Muslim to go on this pilgrimage. We will pray for peace and prosperity in Kashmir. We will also pray for the youth who indulge in drug addiction that the Almighty show them the right path," Bhat said.

DGP Orders

stressed upon officers for devising a plan under which the record of drug consumers is collected at Panchayat and block levels which he said could be helpful in identifying source of supply.

"Drug menace is a major threat to the socio-economic structure and it has become imperative for all the stakeholders to come together to uproot this menace and work in unison to make Jammu and Kashmir drug free," the DGP said, as per the spokesperson.

The DGP, he said, directed for establishing the ANTF secretariat in Crime Branch J&K to be headed by DIG crime branch for better coordination, feedback and analyzing of successful as well as failed cases.

Emphasizing for creating awareness by screening the documentaries

regarding misuse and effects of drugs on the health of people, the DGP said that lectures on narcotics and its ill effects must be organized in schools, colleges as also in panchayat levels for which he said that content already available on different platform as also new contents must be discussed with youth.

"He said that crack down on drug trafficking and its peddlers has to be further intensified to punish those involved in this heinous crime adding that to improve the conviction rate chain of custody and documentation has to be maintained properly," the spokesperson said.

Singh, he said, stressed for creating SOPs and their adherence for achieving conviction in narco-cases and also for publishing a compendium of circulars, orders, SOPs etc.

As per the spokesperson, the DGP desired for constituting the district level task forces to deal with the narco-cases and added that progress of cases should be reviewed every month.

Singh, he said, directed for conducting the court drills in moot court constituted for the purpose to understand the trials in courts better so that errors are fixed well in time.

"He also stressed for quality examination and review at prosecution level to ensure conviction of the accused. He stressed for extensively utilizing the NIDHAN portal for information and action plans," the spokesperson said.

He further said that the DGP directed Crime branch JK to prepare guidelines and investigation modules to be followed by IOs investigating Narco-related cases to achieve better results.

"The DGP directed for attachment of property acquired through drug trade and also stressed for attachment/freezing of bank accounts and identifying known and suspected drug traders/smugglers in border areas and subsequently initiating action against them. He also emphasized for identifying the payment methods being done through hidden channels including dark net," the spokesperson said.

Besides, the DGP, he said, directed the officers to identify the competent and well versed investigators to be tasked for investigation of Narco cases. He stressed for analyzing the judgments to identify the shortcoming of the investigation which he said would be helpful in rectifying the errors in future.

The DGP, the spokesperson said, also reviewed working of canines and stressed for using services of Dog Squad for law and order and crime detection in an increased manner.

"The counter measures for use of mobile phones in jails were also discussed during the meeting," he added.

The meeting was attended by Spl DG Crime J&K A.K Choudhary, ADGP (Hqs) PHQ M.K Sinha, Bhim Sen Tuti, DIG Crime Javid Iqbal Matoo, AIG (Training/Policy) PHQ J.S Johar, AIG (Provision/transport) Gurinderpal Singh, AIG (Tech/Comm) Manoj Kumar Pandith and senior officers of Crime

DC Pulwama Takes Stock Of Ongoing Works At Gudoora Bridge

Observer News Service

Pulwama: The Deputy Commissioner (DC) Pulwama, Dr. Basharat Qayoom today conducted an extensive tour of the district to take stock of developmental works besides taking first hand appraisal of issues projected by different communities of the district.

During the tour, DC inspected the ongoing construction and developmental work of Gudoora bridge coming up at an allocated cost of Rs. 17.19 Crores, executed by P.C Division-Ist (R&B).

The DC directed the concerned executing agencies to expedite the developmental works and complete the work within the stipulated time to facilitate the general public.

He inspected Government Girls & Boys Primary School Naman where he held an interaction with the students and urged the teaching staff for attaining goals enshrined under National Education Policy. He stressed on keeping the premises and surroundings of the school neat, clean and plastic free.

The DC also took stock of arrangements for upcoming Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra (SANJY) along the National Highway. He passed directions that arrangements for roadside public conveniences, drinking water facilities and ambulance services should be made along the highway falling in the jurisdiction of Pulwama.

Later, DC visited Spice Park Dussu, Pampore and convened a meeting to review the initiatives taken for economic revival of J&K Saffron under National Mission on Saffron.

On the occasion, incharge

Administrator, India International Kashmir Saffron Trading Centre, Pampore, Khurshheed Ahmed briefed the DC about the achievements and progress achieved under the National Mission on Saffron.

The DC also inspected the various sections and installed machinery at stigma separation unit, Quality Evaluation Laboratory, Packing unit, Drying unit and cold storage room.

Speaking on the occasion, DC said that Pampore is famous for saffron cultivation and should be known as Saffron Heritage Town and the Spice Park in Dussu Pampore would be the cause in transforming the Pampore into a Saffron Agricultural Heritage Industry.

He added that Pampore and the adjoining areas have tremendous potential to export World Class Quality Saffron. He said that the revival of Saffron Industry would augment the employment opportunities in the Valley.

He also stressed upon the officers of Agriculture Development to adopt novel methods in remuneration of Saffron Crop.

Saffron Growers put forth their valuable suggestions which includes, better irrigation facilities, functioning of Borewells and enhanced market linkages for assured returns.

The DC heard them patiently and assured that all their issues will be looked into and redressed on top priority.

Among others, Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Awantipora, Zaffar Ahmed Shawl, Chief Agriculture Officer, Pulwama, Assistant Commissioner Development and Saffron Growers were present.

Branch.

J&K Govt To

The LG also highlighted the endeavours of District administration and stakeholder departments for effective implementation of schemes and execution of projects, which were pending for the past many years.

"It is our firm resolve to bridge the gap between rural and urban J&K. We are accelerating infrastructure development, strengthening health and education sectors and generating productive employment opportunities for our youth," he said.

"We are taking up projects for execution as per the needs of the people. Our aim is to ensure that no one from the villages, especially the border dwellers, has to move to cities in search of basic facilities, employment and livelihood," he added.

The LG further said that the District officials in consultation with PRI members have chalked out a comprehensive development plan of 32 development projects worth Rs 12.19 crore for Garkhal.

"A major step was taken today in the direction to provide sufficient water supply to every household in this panchayat. It is also being ensured that the small and marginal farmers of Garkhal and other border villages of the UT benefitted from the Holistic Agriculture Development Plan," he said, while impressing upon the PRI members and the people to start a mass movement to make the Garkhal Panchayat Swachh and Drug-free.

The LG motivated the youth for skill development and self-employment, and further encouraged the women folks to create many more Self Help Groups with the help of Rural Livelihood Mission.

"Our aim is to empower the farmers, youth, women of border areas, and enable them to contribute in the developmental journey of J&K," Sinha said.

"The reformative initiatives taken by the government in the last three years have yielded favourable results and various sectors including tourism, industries, agriculture and allied sectors have witnessed unprecedented growth. We have to work together with the Whole of Government Approach to fulfill the resolve of strong and atmanirbhar Jammu Kashmir," he added.

Addressing the demands pertaining to border outpost, Chenab riverfront and promotion of border tourism, the LG assured that appropriate steps will be taken in this regard.

During his visit, the LG inaugurated a training programme for Women Self-Help Groups and various other development works.

"Self-Help Groups will not only help in rapid rural development but also make the individual household prosperous. This training programme will enhance the capacity and make the women entrepreneurs facilitator of overall development," he said.

He also laid the foundation stone for retrofitting of Water Supply Scheme Garkhal and other works under Jal

Jeevan Mission.

To Inaugurate Tirupati

LG Sinha along with Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri laid foundation of Yatra Niwas for Shri Amarnath and Disaster Management Centre at Majeen.

The Temple is dedicated to Venkateswara, a form of Vishnu, who is believed to have appeared here to save mankind from trials and troubles of Kali Yuga.

The temple is also known by other names like Tirumala Temple, Tirupati Temple, Tirupati Balaji Temple.

Spreading over 62 acres of land, the temple is completed in two phases, at the cost Rs 33.22 cr.

The prestigious project includes a host of pilgrimage facilities and other Educational and Developmental infrastructure like Veda Pathshala-classrooms, hostel building and staff quarters; pilgrims' amenities complex, Kalyanamandapam, Vahanamandapam etc.

The Jammu and Kashmir Government has granted the land to the TTD Board on a lease basis for a period of 40 years—(KNO)

Two Soldiers Injured

police official said.

He said two soldiers were injured in the accidental firing and were hospitalised.

It was not immediately clear whether the injured soldiers included the one whose weapon went off, the official said.

ADGP Jamwal

General of Police, is transferred from Jammu & Kashmir and appointed as Head of Police, UT of Ladakh, with effect from the date of assumption of charge of the post and until further orders," reads an order

17 Labourers Injured

truck lost control and collided with the load carrier carrying labourers for work.

All the injured were rushed to a hospital and the condition of three of them was stated to be "serious", they said, adding the truck driver abandoned the vehicle and fled the scene after the accident.

A case has been registered.

Hideout Busted

morning of 06 June, a defence spokesman said in a statement .

The 28 RR deployed in Lolab immediately launched a search operation in the said area, he said, adding that the search did not yield any result despite thoroughly combing on 06 Jun.

However, the spokesman said that the source was quite sure of the presence of hideout & arms, ammunition. "Hence, additional columns of RR under the CO and special forces were inducted in early hours of 07 Jun. The area was again combed from Kowut Top astride Kangur Nala. Thorough search & perseverance resulted in busting of a hideout astride Kangur

Nala," the statement said.

It added that arms & ammunition including one UBGL Russian Made, one UBGL Grenade, six Chinese Grenades Type 1, two Chinese Hand Grenade, two AK 47 magazine AK 47, 60 AK 47 rounds of 7.62mm, one Bino and one Pouch were recovered from the hideout.

"The items have been deposited by the RR battalion with the Police as per norms. The successful recovery has certainly averted a suspected misadventure by terrorists/OGW & their nefarious attempts to disturb the peace & tranquility in the area," the statement said.

It added that a legal action has been initiated by Police into the recovery of arms and ammunition.

ICAI Delegation

J&K Branch and CA Khateeb Yousaf, Deputy Convenor Kashmir CPE Chapter discussed various issues pertaining to promotion of CA education, accountancy, and research work in the region.

"They also put forth the demand of setting up ICAI's Centre of Excellence. The delegation also apprised the Lt Governor on the upcoming 12th Residential Meet of ICAI Members in Public Service/Civil Services to be held in Srinagar on 18th June," the spokesperson added.

Meanwhile, Choudhary Mohd. Yousuf Gorsi, Chairman District Development Council Anantnag also called on LG and apprised him on the development issues of Blocks Pahalgam, Khoveripora, Dachnipora, Chittergul and Verinag of District Anantnag.

The Lt Governor assured the DDC Chairman of appropriate redressal of the genuine issues projected during the interaction.

Prominent Islamic

informing him that they are investigating the case pertaining to the raising of funds by Jamat-e-Islami in Jammu and Kashmir and further utilizing these funds for 'committing unlawful acts to radicalize the youth' of Jammu and Kashmir.

"It appears that you are acquainted with the facts of this case. You are hereby directed to report at NIA camp office Church Lane Sonwar Srinagar for the purpose of answering certain questions related to the case," reads the summon served to Maulana Qasmi.

Sources said that Qasmi presented himself before the probe agency. "What transpired during the questioning was not immediately known," said a close aide of Qasmi.

Rahmatullah Mir Qasmi is a Kashmiri Islamic scholar, founder, and rector of Darul Uloom Raheemiyah, one of the largest Islamic seminaries in Kashmir. He is a senior member of the managing committee of Darul Uloom Deoband, a founding member of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board and a member of the working body of Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind. [KNT]

Ishfaq Ahmad Named Coach-Selector For U-16 National Trials

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Former international footballer Ishfaq Ahmad was on Wednesday appointed



as the Coach cum Selector for the North Zone selection trial for the Under-16 National Team by the All India Football Federation (AIFF).

The Srinagar-born player was

recently seen spearheading the U-16 selection trials at Synthetic Turf TRC.

"We are proud to see Mr. Ishfaq Ahmad being recognised for his expertise and dedication to the sport. His appointment is a testament to his exceptional coaching abilities and deep understanding of football," the Jammu and Kashmir Football Association (JKFA) said in a statement.

"On behalf of the Chairman of the JKFA and all our esteemed members, we extend our warmest congratulations and wish Mr. Ishfaq Ahmad the very best in this crucial role. We have no doubt that under his guidance, the North Zone selection trial will witness exceptional talent and result in the formation of a strong U16 National Team," the FA added.

'KIC Centers Of Sports Council Grooming Champions'

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: The sports culture of J&K is developing with a new spirit of enthusiasm and entering a phase where play fields and indoor stadiums remain abuzz with sports activities all through and J&K Sports Council is fully committed to bringing out the best sporting talents to the fore.

Though from time-to-time interventions for making J&K a sports hub were made, the Khelo India centers specifically allotted to J&K have given further impetus to sporting culture in J&K. The Khelo India Centers have reached all the districts of J&K and its number has swelled above hundred now. The centers hone the abilities of the young talent of J&K, and for this purpose the past champions and qualified coaches for each center were appointed who provide training and mentorship to the budding talent in various sports disciplines.

While J&K Sports Council is working on a multi-pronged strategy for the promotion of sports in the region and developing state-of-the-art sports infrastructure and creating modern facilities for the all-round development of youth, the continued support to budding sportspersons from the far-flung and other areas which did not figure on the sports map earlier is laying a solid foundation for grooming of the



talent for the higher platforms.

In addition to scouting the best talent in the district, each of these centers lays special emphasis on taking sports to the grassroots level and acting as an alternative arrangement for the places where no sports activities existed earlier.

Thanks to the Khelo India initiative, several talented athletes across Jammu and Kashmir have been given a platform to showcase their skills and get the necessary exposure and training to excel in their respective sports. The Khelo India centers have been instrumental in tapping into the sporting potential of the region and nurturing it from a grassroots level.

Most of the Khelo India centers are equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, highly qualified coaches, and a range of training programs that cater to the needs of athletes from various age groups and disciplines. This has not only helped in the overall development of sports in the region but has also encouraged more and more children to take up sports as a viable career option.

District Level Sports Competitions Begin In Anantnag

Observer News Service

ANANTNAG: The Department of Youth Services and Sports Anantnag on Wednesday inaugurated the much-anticipated District Level Chess, Carom, Badminton and Table Tennis tournaments for Under-14 and Under-17 Boys and Girls.

The event took place at the Girls Model Higher Secondary School Rani Bagh and SRJ HSS Khanabal in Anantnag.

The opening ceremonies witnessed the presence of various dignitaries, including government officials, sports en-

thusiasts, and talented young athletes from various zones/schools across the district.

The District Level Chess, Carom, Table Tennis and Badminton tournament will run for four days. It encompasses multiple categories, including Under-14 and Under-17 Age Groups for both boys and girls, ensuring equal opportunities for participation and recognition.

The tournament will be conducted under the guidance of experienced referees and judges, ensuring fair play and adherence to the rules and regulations of each respective sport.

WTC Final: Travis Head Rattles India On Day 1



Press Trust of India

LONDON: Travis Head struck like a tornado with a counter-attacking hundred that left an out-of-sorts Indian attack bereft of ideas as Australia made hey under bright sunshine by reaching 327 for 3 on the opening day of the World Test Championship final.

The ploy of leaving out Ravichandran Ashwin backfired once there was bright sunshine as neither Umesh Yadav nor Shardul Thakur looked under-cooked as India were completely outplayed in the second and third session with Rohit Sharma's captaincy leaving a lot to be desired.

India picked an extra fast bowler at the expense of Ravichandran Ashwin but that did not help their cause as Head (146 batting) and Smith (95 batting) amassed an unbeaten 251 run partnership off 370

balls for the fourth wicket, lifting Australia from an uncomfortable 73 for three.

The third wicket of Marnus Labuschagne (26) came in the 25th over before overcast skies made way for bright sunshine as Smith and Head made the most of batting friendly conditions through the afternoon and evening sessions. In all there were 44 boundaries hit along with a maximum, depicting the plight of Indian pace attack.

It was Head's first century away from home and sixth overall. Mohammed Siraj was the pick of the bowlers for India, who have a lot of work to do going into day two. India's pacers tried the short ball tactic to upset the rhythm of both Smith and Head but were unsuccessful. However the short-ball tactic to unsettle Head came once he was settled down.

Head, who has built a repu-

tation of playing impactful innings in 36 Test old career, single-handedly change the course of the game with his aggressive approach. The fuller deliveries didn't trouble him even one bit.

Smith, on the other hand, was happy to bide his time while Head went about his business. India tried the leg slip tactic against him before testing him around the off-stump. Both to no avail.

India took the new ball after the 80th over but Shami and Siraj were unable to provide the breakthrough. Indian fans who thronged to the venue in huge numbers went back disappointed.

Only the morning session went India's way as Siraj breathed fire in his opening spell before Thakur got rid of a well-set David Warner (43 off 60) to reduce Australia to 73 for two at lunch.

Pakistan Don't Want To Play In Ahmedabad Unless They Are In WC Final: PCB

Press Trust of India

KARACHI: The Pakistan Cricket Board chairman Najam Sethi has intimated his ICC counterpart Greg Barclay about his apprehensions about playing the World Cup match against arch-rivals India at Ahmedabad's Narendra Modi Stadium, according to sources.

As it was reported by PTI initially, PCB wants its matches to be scheduled in Kolkata, Chennai and Bengaluru.

Barclay and ICC General Manager Geoff Allardice were recently in Karachi to seek assurance from PCB boss that they won't demand to play their ODI World Cup matches at a neutral venue since ACC is all set to reject its demand of playing Asia Cup on basis of 'Hybrid Model'.

According to a senior PCB source: "Sethi has conveyed to Barclay and Allardice that Pakistan doesn't want it matches to be scheduled in Ahmedabad unless it is a knock-out game like final." "He requested ICC to schedule their games in Chennai, Bengaluru and

Kolkata if national team gets clearance from Pakistan government to travel to India for the global event scheduled in October and November," the source added.

While Pakistan board is apprehensive about the security of its players if they have to play India in Ahmedabad,

to accept Pakistan's Hybrid Model for Asia Cup, which is unlikely to see the light of the day.

He also confirmed that Sethi had also insisted that it would not accept the new revenue sharing model unless its share was increased in the new five year cycle.

"Sethi pointed out that it was unfair that Pakistan should get a lesser share of the ICC revenues in the new cycle compared to Australia and England," the source said.

"Sethi argued that Australia and England regularly get to play bilateral series with India and their players also take part in the Indian Premier League which means extra revenues for the two boards from the IPL management," he added.

The BCCI and ICC officials who are presently in London for the World Test Championship Final are expected to finalize the schedule and venues for the World Cup in the next few days before it is circulated to the member/participating countries.



it must be mentioned that Inzamam ul Haq led side had played at the Motera during its 2005 tour to India.

The PCB official also informed that Sethi has asked ICC officials to convince BCCI



Messi To Join Inter Miami After PSG Exit – BBC

Agencies

Lionel Messi will snub a lucrative contract in Saudi Arabia and move to Major League Soccer side Inter Miami as a free agent after parting ways with French champions Paris St Germain, the BBC reported on Wednesday. Messi, who played his final game for PSG over the weekend, was also linked with a return to Barcelona but the Spanish club have had their hands tied due to LaLiga's financial fair play rules.

Should the deal with Miami go through, the 35-year-old Argentine will play outside Europe for the first time since he joined Barca's academy at the age of 13 and became the Spanish club's all-time record goalscorer with 672 goals. MLS could not con-

firm the BBC report and said that the league approves all player contracts.

Inter Miami did not immediately respond to requests for comment. Messi had wanted to go to a club where he could eventually have an ownership stake, a source with knowledge of the negotiations told Reuters this week. He also wanted to maximise his existing deal with Adidas and MLS's relationship with Apple.

Messi, who led Argentina to World Cup glory in Qatar in December and has earned a record seven Ballon d'Or awards, won the Ligue 1 title in his two seasons with PSG as well as the French Super Cup in 2022. The forward was also linked with a move to Saudi Arabian side Al-Hilal after he received a formal offer.

Bellingham Set For Real Madrid Move From Dortmund

Agencies

MADRID: Real Madrid has reached an agreement to sign Jude Bellingham for a fee that could reach more than 130 million euros (\$139 million), Borussia Dortmund said Wednesday.

The German club said the fixed fee will be 103 million euros (\$110 million), plus variables that could reach more than 30 million euros (\$32 million) in total over the next six seasons.

The fixed fee for Bellingham would be the second biggest sale by a German club, not including add-ons, after Barcelona signed forward Ousmane Dembélé from Dortmund for 105 million euros (currently \$112 million) in 2017.

Dortmund said in a statement to the stock exchange that the contract details still have to be "coordinated and completed," and the transfer is subject "to the proper and timely processing in accordance with the provisions" of FIFA.

The 19-year-old versatile English midfielder will join a



Madrid squad that currently has veterans Luka Modric and Toni Kroos in midfield, as well as Eduardo Camavinga, Federico Valverde, Dani Ceballos and Aurélien Tchouaméni.

The contracts of Kroos, Modric and Ceballos are ending this month, though, and it is yet unclear if they will be renewed.

Madrid had not yet publicly confirmed the Bellingham transfer.

Bellingham's three-season stay at Dortmund is set to end after the team missed out on the German title to Bayern Munich on goal difference. Bellingham was crucial to the title challenge but was an unused substitute in the decisive last game against Mainz after a knee injury.

International Boxing Association Stripped Of Recognition

Agencies

The International Olympic Committee executive board on Wednesday recommended withdrawing recognition of the International Boxing Association (IBA) over its failure to meet a set of reforms, the Olympic body said in a statement. A source with direct knowledge of the proceedings said the IOC had also decided to have the sport as part of the Olympic Games pro-



gramme at Los Angeles 2028.

The IOC suspended the IBA in 2019 over governance, finance, refereeing and ethical issues and did not involve it in running the boxing events at the 2021 Tokyo Olympics. It had also provisionally excluded the sport from the Los Angeles 2028 Games.

Unlikely Champions League Finalist Inter Milan Out To Upset Manchester City

Agencies

MANCHESTER: With its massive spending power, Manchester City's run to the Champions League final has hardly come as a surprise.

The same cannot be said for Inter Milan, City's opponent on Saturday in Istanbul.

While Inter is one of European soccer's most storied teams, it enters the game as an outsider, having somewhat surprisingly reached the final. After all, Inter is the third best team in Italy, a league that has long-since lost its shine after being considered the ultimate destination for the world's best players in the 1990s.

Inter finished the season 18 points behind league champion Napoli, the team many expected to go far before losing to AC Milan in the quarterfinals.

Inter went on to beat its city rival in the semifinals to advance to the final of European club soccer's elite competition

for the first time in 13 years.

To put that achievement into context, this was the first time it had even been in the quarterfinals since 2011, when it was the defending champion. But it is also a club that has tasted success in recent years after winning the Italian league in 2021, back-to-back Italian Cups in 2022 and 2023, and the Italian Super Cup this season.

"Manchester City have won two trophies (this season), but so have Inter. They will be facing an opponent who deserve to be in Istanbul as much as they do," Inter coach Simone Inzaghi said.

The power in European soccer has shifted considerably since Inter last won the trophy in 2010.

Back then City was still waiting for its first major piece of silverware since 1976. But backed by Abu Dhabi's ruling family, it has since gone on to win 16 more trophies, including seven Premier League titles.



This year City is bidding to become only the second English team to win the three biggest trophies in one season — the Premier League, Champions League and FA Cup.

Only Inter can stop City from emulating Manchester United's treble from 1999.

Looking at the respective

two teams on paper, some may consider it a mismatch.

While City has superstar signings like Erling Haaland, Jack Grealish and Kevin De Bruyne, Inter has a mishmash of players who have managed to reboot or prolong their careers at the club.

Edin Dzeko, for instance, is

37 years old and left City eight years ago, having been part of its first title-winning team under Abu Dhabi ownership in 2012. Henrikh Mkhitaryan is 34 and disappointed at both Manchester United and Arsenal. Matteo Darmian, 33, also failed to make a major impact at United.

Romelu Lukaku was generally considered to have flopped after big money transfers for United and Chelsea, but is one of Inter's players with genuine star appeal. Likewise Lautaro Martinez, who won the World Cup with Argentina in December.

But whereas Inter once had the pulling power to lure players like the Ronaldo, Christian Vieri and Luis Figo, it cannot compete with the spending power of City, which has assembled arguably the strongest squad in club soccer through the wealth of its owners.

Inter has suffered as Italian soccer has been overshadowed by the Premier League, which has enormous popularity around the world and benefits from massive broadcast revenues.

Inter is owned by Retail giant Suning and reported a loss of \$285 million for the 2020-21 financial year, which was the highest ever for a top-flight Italian club. That was largely blamed on the impact of COV-

ID-19 and the fact it had to play inside empty stadiums.

In May 2021, it also secured a financing deal with American investment fund Oaktree Capital that reportedly entailed a cash injection of \$336 million.

Win or lose, Inter's run to the final should be lucrative.

Last year's winner Real Madrid received \$146.4 million in prize money, while runner-up Liverpool earned \$131.4 million from UEFA's Champions League prize fund of \$2.2 billion.

But Inter's fans will be dreaming of a fourth European Cup.

Inter was the last Italian team to win the trophy, when Jose Mourinho guided it to a treble of trophies along with the league title and the Italian Cup.

Inzaghi is the coach now, even though his position looked under threat as recently as April.

After an unlikely route to the final, he is aiming to pull off the biggest shock of all against a City team that looks unstoppable. (AP)

Turkiye Jails Teen Who Added Moustache To Erdogan Poster



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ISTANBUL: Turkish authorities on Tuesday seized and jailed a 16-year-old youth for drawing a moustache on an election campaign poster showing re-elected President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, media reports said.

Several media close to the opposition, including daily newspapers BirGun, Cumhuriyet and private TV station Halk TV, said the youth from the southeastern town of Mersin was accused of defacing the poster near his home with a pen, scribbling "a Hitler moustache and writing insulting comments."

He was arrested after being identified by CCTV cameras,

media reports said. Authorities interviewed him at his home where he reportedly "admitted drawing the moustache" while denying writing the accompanying comments.

Taken before the public prosecutor he was found to have "insulted the president" and was jailed at a nearby youth facility, according to Halk TV.

Erdogan extended his 20-year rule over Türkiye after winning the May 28 second round of the presidential election to embark on a new five-year term.

According to the justice ministry, "insulting the president" is one of the most common crimes in Türkiye, resulting in 16,753 convictions last year.

Lung Cancer Pill Cuts Risk Of Death By Half, Study Finds

Agenceis

A once-daily pill halved people's risk of dying from a common lung cancer when they took the drug after tumour-removal surgery, trial results from a global study show.

The research, published recently in The New England Journal of Medicine, found that taking the drug osimertinib after surgery dramatically reduced the risk of patients dying by 51 per cent.

The researchers randomly assigned eligible patients in a 1:1 ratio to receive osimertinib (80 mg once daily) or placebo until disease recurrence was observed. Of 682 patients who underwent randomisation, 339 received osimertinib also known as Tagrisso and made by AstraZeneca, and 343 received placebo.

In the primary analysis population, an estimated 85 per cent of patients treated with osimertinib were alive at five years compared to 73 per cent on placebo, the researchers said.

In the overall trial population, an estimated 88 per cent of patients treated with osimertinib were alive at five years compared to 78 per cent on placebo, they said.

The study found that osimertinib reduced the risk of death by 51 per cent compared to placebo in both the primary analysis



population, the researchers said.

"These highly anticipated overall survival results, with 88 per cent of patients alive at five years, are a momentous achievement in the treatment of early-stage EGFR-mutated lung cancer," said principal investigator in the trial, Roy S. Herbst, Deputy Director and Chief of Medical Oncology at Yale Cancer Center and Smilow Cancer Hospital, US.

"These data underscore that adjuvant treatment with osimertinib provides patients with the best chance of long-term survival," Herbst said.

Susan Galbraith, Executive Vice President, Oncology R&D, AstraZeneca, said osimertinib

cut the risk of death by more than half in the adjuvant setting, further establishing this transformative medicine as the backbone treatment for epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR)-mutated lung cancer.

"These results emphasise the importance of diagnosing patients with lung cancer early, testing for EGFR mutations and treating all those with an EGFR mutation with Tagrisso (osimertinib), Galbraith said.

The trial results were presented on Monday during the Plenary Session at the 2023 American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) Annual Meeting in Chicago, US.

Pro-Imran Khan Pakistani TV Journalist Returns Home Safely After Being Abducted By Armed Men

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Another prominent Pakistani television journalist who was picked up by unidentified armed persons from his residence here, apparently because of his support to former prime minister Imran Khan, has returned home safely, his family said.

Since the disturbances of May 9 linked to the arrest of Khan, there have been several complaints and petitions filed in courts about missing persons and political workers, civil activists and journalists being taken away forcibly by armed men.

An executive producer of Pakistan's Geo News channel, Zubair Anjum was picked up and taken to an undisclosed location by armed men from his residence in the Malir Colony area late Monday night. His brother, Wajahat said on Wednesday that he has now returned home.

"The officials entered Zubair's residence wielding arms and forcibly took him away while other family members were mishandled," his brother Wajahat was quoted as saying.

Several media bodies condemned the journalist's alleged abduction and called on the government to take notice with the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP) demanding the immediate and safe release of the journalist.

"He has just returned home safely," he added.

Earlier, a prominent lawyer and civil activist, Jibran Nasir was

stopped by unidentified armed men while he was returning from a dinner in Karachi with his wife, Mansa Pasha and was abducted but was later released after dozens of protesters held a rally in Karachi to condemn his abduction.

Meanwhile, after the news of Zubair came out, the area's SSP Tariq Nawaz denied that his force had any information in this regard.

He added that no police station or unit had reported taking the journalist into custody.

Last month, another prominent journalist, Sami Ibrahim was also picked up from his residence in Islamabad and returned safely while there is still no news about the disappearance of Imran Riaz Khan, a well-known TV host and supporter and sympathiser of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party.

The arrest of Khan on May 9 triggered unrest in Pakistan leading to several deaths and dozens of military and state installations being destroyed by the protesters.

The ousted premier is under pressure to keep his party intact as dozens of leaders have abandoned it after the crackdown launched to arrest those involved in attacks on military installations on May 9.

Khan, a cricketer-turned-politician, was ousted from power in April last year after losing a no-confidence vote in his leadership, which he alleged was part of a US-led conspiracy targeting him because of his independent foreign policy decisions on Russia, China and Afghanistan. PTI

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